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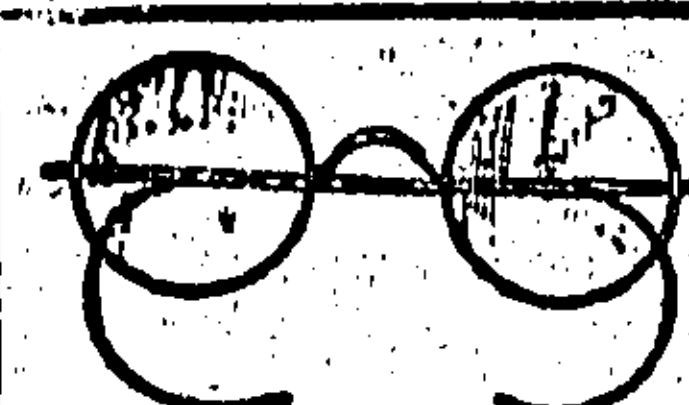
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WOMAN'S PAGE.

ROUND THE SHOPS.

[By "EVE."]

Lane, Crawford. It may seem a little early for bathing yet, but Lane Crawford's, as always, have anticipated the event and have just unpacked a lovely lot of bathing suits in the latest and most becoming styles. Among some of the most striking designs are plain or striped suits in colours over which is worn a pair of short pants of one colour, I'm sure this delightful style will catch on and will be seen a great deal on our beaches. There are also many models of bodiless costumes fitted with bands and linings to be used if desired. All these suits are of well-known makes, including the ever popular "Jantzen," and have to be seen to be fully appreciated.

Whiteaway's. The artificial flower is coming back to some extent in the old sense. It comes back, however, with a difference. At present, the Victorian vogue holds sway. All the Victorian flowers have been revived, and can be seen in Whiteaway's collection which has just been unpacked. The most typical of these is the gardenia, which is worn singly because of its severity, with tailor-made suits. It is Victorian enough in idea, but it strikes the modern note. Another favourite artificial flower is the dahlia. This is not the loose grand dahlia that has decorated evening dresses all the winter, but the little tight pin-cushion variety to be seen in Victorian modes. The forget-me-not is, of course not forgotten, and it is improved upon by appearing in several different shadings, in which a rather dark blue is included. There are also typical little bunches of rosebuds, ideal for children's hats.

Pamela. The afternoon and evening dresses in Pamela's ready-to-wear-salon are all greatly reduced at the Spring sale; so every woman who has the good sense to realise that appearances are very important will pay a visit without delay, and she will find, in addition to frocks and suits, a charming display of hats, shoes, bags and accessories which all go to complete the ensemble. The shoes are all of English make and are in the finest leathers; in the varied selection are several shaped shoes which suit certain types, and court shoes which are always smart and will always be a favourite with everyone, while sports shoes and brogues are in the darker shades. To go with these delightful footwear there are attractive stockings in all matching shades made by I. and N. Morley, the well-known English makers.

The Dolly Vardon Hat Shop. The new Spring millinery styles are decidedly youthful but they have nothing of the rather hard sophistication of youth which was so marked a feature of the autumn and early winter styles. Those severe cut-away-over-the-brow hats were very hard to wear except by the young and very fresh, or the most sophisticated and chic. But the spring hats, which are now simple in style, are more elaborate with trimmings, braids and stichery. The brims for these are such things again—droop down gracefully at either side. Sometimes the brim is short in front, at others it is wide and turned back in front in the form of a double brim. At the back they are generally short or pleated to fit closely round the nape of the neck. You must make a point of seeing the display of new American washing dresses suitable for morning and afternoon wear; these are in many delightful new styles in bright prints in all the newest patterned designs.

Godowns. How our imagination does run riot when it comes to choosing summer footwear, colour, apparently, being the first consideration where shoes for this season of the year are concerned. Now that reptile skins are successfully dyed in all manner of bright shades, attractive combinations between these and a more conventional leather have been achieved. Patched shoes, often of two colours, as well as two skins, and inundating the market. Plaited shoes appear with great success, and, while they were once frivolous accessories

DISTINCTIVE MODES FOR SPRING.



only suitable for seaside wear, they are now counted among the best styles for town use. Frequently only the vamp is plaited, and this certainly makes them of sounder construction. The latest in summer footwear, however, which have just arrived at Gordon's, are canvas shoes in white, lemon and light beige. One of the models I noticed had appliqued flowers in red on the vamp while a narrow red band trimmed the edge.

Maison Marnac. Here is a bit of good advice for the woman who wants a smart frock, but is not quite sure what she wants. In this select salon in Pedder Street you will find a very charming selection of day and afternoon gowns and in addition, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that all these are models designed by a Parisian dress artist. For example there is a dinner frock of white satin, a glance at which is sufficient to show how becoming and chic is its character. Many evening gowns are in organdie, and one very beautiful model is a picturesque affair, the wide skirt being decorated with rows of frills. Maison Marnac has just received a small consignment of the latest hats from Paris, and needless to say, these are up-to-the-minute modes. Examples of silk straws, fancy straws, laquered linen and ribboned berets are among this smart collection.

Vanity Fair. It is not only possible, but perfectly simple to be stylish and combine economy with chic, at Vanity Fair where morning and afternoon frocks are priced at a figure so as to enable one with only a moderate dress allowance to dress with style and economy. This little shop specialises in children's wear and many lovely styles so suitable for the little ones are seen. What tiny things they are, those first short frocks. Made of silk, muslin or gingham they are trimmed with a touch of embroidery worked on the yoke, and are altogether refreshingly dainty and picturesque.

Madame Betty. This new modiste, who comes to Hong Kong after over twenty years' experience with some of the most celebrated Paris houses, strikes an original and definitely elegant note in dress creations, and a visit to the salon on the corner of China Building is well worth while. I saw some extremely chic models in the process of being made during a visit the other day, and I was struck with the excellence of the workmanship which is coupled with moderation in price.

YOUR FIGURE AT FORTY.

Begin by studying your diet. You must limit meat to once a day, and that meat course should consist of a grilled steak, the size of the palm of your hand, two lean lamb cutlets, or one lean lamb chop, two thin slices of roast beef, or mutton, or a good portion of boiled or roast chicken or turkey, or of roast game, or tripe and onions.

Neither roast pork, duck, goose, nor cooked kidneys, nor meat steaks, nor cold tongue, nor any tinned meats must be taken. You can enjoy as much green vegetable as you please, so long as it is plainly cooked. You can also eat freely of vegetables that grow above the ground, as well as celery, but no beet-root, carrots, turnips, potatoes, or dried beans must ever be part of your diet. Eat fruit freely, preferably raw. You can have as much cooked fruit as you want as well, so long as it is not sweetened, but you must give up all preserves and dried fruits. It is wise also not to eat bananas, nor nuts.

A Lemon.

When planning your meals, allow yourself only a limited quantity of liquid, no matter what it is, only remember that all sweet drinks, all alcoholic drinks, chocolate, cocoa, and thick soups, unless in the shape of vegetable broths, must be avoided. Drink only black coffee, China tea with lemon, and no sugar, water, and still mineral water and take a glass of water an hour before each meal, first thing in the morning, and last thing at night. Add the juice of a lemon to the water or mineral water if you like. No matter what foods you choose out of the selection I have given you, they must be plainly cooked and be served with neither gravy, sauce, nor condiments.

If you like buttermilk, and can obtain it, drink it in place of water an hour before meals. Allow yourself only one small cup of liquid at a meal, whether it be tea, coffee, or clear soup.

It is better not take any bread or toast, but substitute biscuits, or loaves made of gluten flour. If you cannot do without bread, eat it stale, or toasted, and preferably brown, but avoid either cold or hot rolls, and muffins, cake, pastry, biscuits, pies, sweets, puddings, and deserts of all kinds. You can have boiled, steamed or grilled white fish, but no shell fish, or oily fish.

If you live a very active life, you could allow yourself a piece of cake, or a slice of bread and butter, or one or two biscuits, with your afternoon tea, and be a little less stringent with your whole diet.

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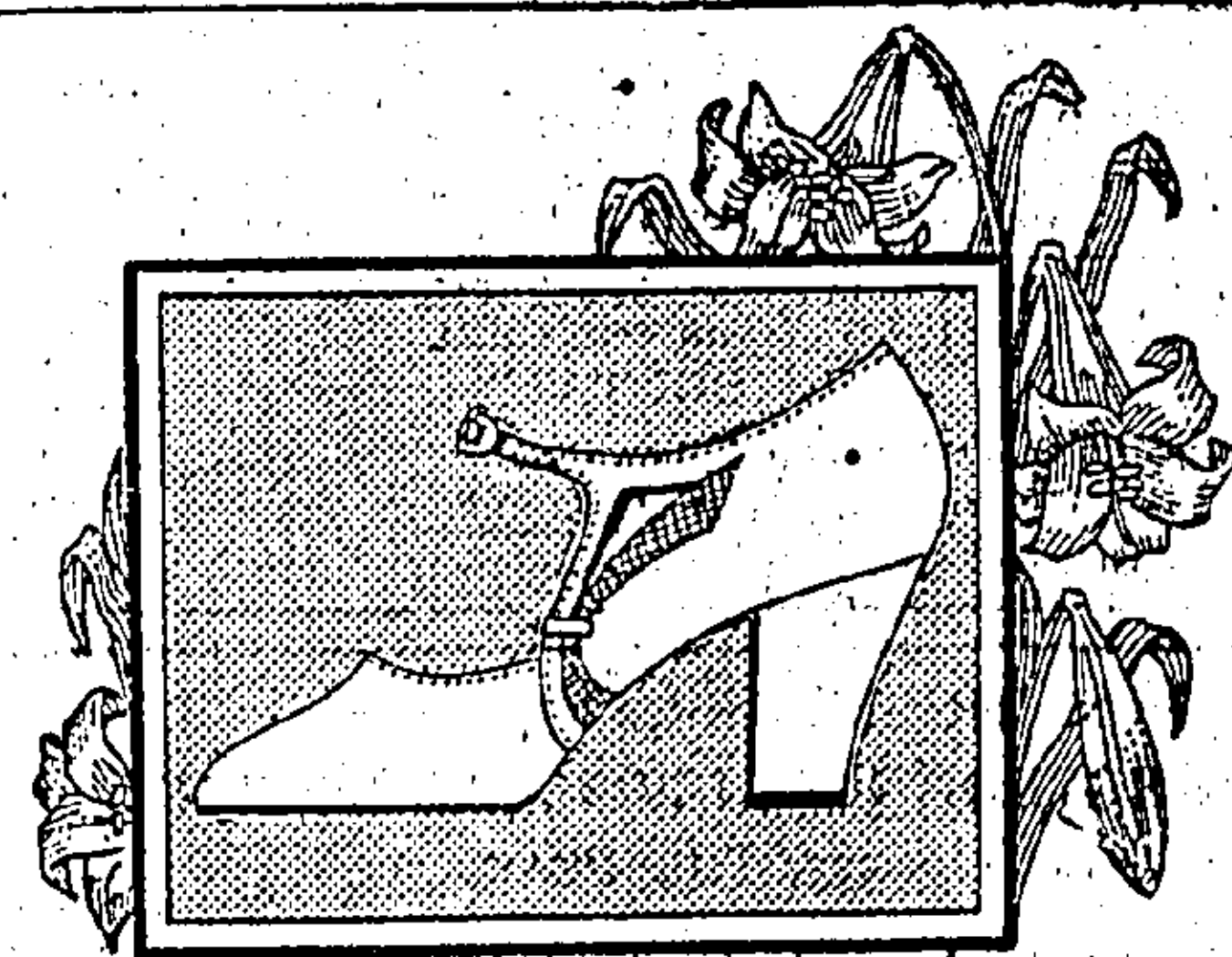
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WOMAN'S PAGE

SPRING STYLES.

DISPLAY MANY DRESS VIRTUES.

There are a certain number of people who are always more than ready to disapprove of everything that is new, and regularly twice a year their disapproval is claimed by the new fashions.

Simply because these fashions are different, they raise a storm of criticism and ridicule from this little band of people, who make up for their lack of youth and good looks by constituting themselves critics of other women's manners, morals, appearance and general behaviour.

This season's styles are very difficult to criticize unkindly, because they combine nearly all the virtues. They are gay and youthful and at the same time they are modest and practical.

There are also a reasonable number of dignified tailored suits, afternoon dresses and evening gowns designed especially for older women.

The New Coats.

Coats of every length will be fashionable for the next six months. If you are young and pleased with your figure, you will wear very short waistlength coats with your sports clothes; the coats of your tailor-made will be hip-length. Your long coats will come about an inch below the hem-line of your dress and probably they will have a little shoulder cape reaching halfway to the elbow which will form a short sleeve, but then you are young and hardy and will not mind a short-sleeved coat. For the evening you may wear three-quarter length or full-length coats just missing the ground.

All these various types of coats will have one thing in common, though, and that is, they will be very close-fitting to show off your figure.

Horsehair Lace Collars.

One of the most famous houses has excellent coats. The full-length cloth coats with enormous patch pockets, envelope shape, and becoming collars are particularly good for older women.

The three-quarter length loosely-fitting sports coats in this collection are also very easy to wear if you are not so young.

Sailor collars are coming into fashion again. They are to be seen on spring and summer frocks, blouses, and jumpers, as well as afternoon dresses. Lanvin puts sailor collars made of the finest horsehair transparent braid on her



dark satin or crepe afternoon dresses, and she has an amusing way of turning up the back of the collar.

A great many dresses this season are made with the V-shaped neck. This is very becoming to older women, as it gives a long, slimming line.

The V may be arranged as low as one likes, and a lace of muslin bib worn inside.

For Day Dresses.

Broderie Anglaise is being used in all the collections. One of Maggie Houff's most successful creations is a garden party frock of the finest white broderie Anglaise with a narrow sash, fastened together in front with an old-fashioned peay of wild flowers.

Several houses are using broderie Anglaise for day dresses. One particularly good black dress of fine wool cloth has the top of the bodice and deep-shaped flounce of the skirt of broderie Anglaise done on the same material in deep blue.

Elusive Patterns.

Flamengo, that heavy corded silk material patterned with a tiny pin-dot cheek or pin-dot line, will be used again this year for tailored suits. There will also be any number of the finest kind of suitings with small patterns.

Whereas last season the patterns used on materials were definitely well marked, this season they are much more delicate, and seem almost to merge into the background.

Afternoon dresses made of spotted crepe often have spots of not only different colours, but also different sizes ranging from a tiny pin-dot to a spot the size of a sixpence.

This has resulted in a great many new light-weight woollens, heavy silks, and various weight cotton materials, with the patterns relying entirely on the weaves. There are very few shiny silks.

Almost all the summer cloths have a mat surface. These plain fabrics with fancy weaves are being used in the place of tweeds for sports clothes. The more you see of the new fashions, the more you realise that there is no longer any excuse for older women to dress youthfully or for girls to choose inappropriate or sophisticated clothes.

TARTANS.

IN FASHION AGAIN.

Dress experts have decreed a spate of tartan. In fact, it is a case of "Come every hill-plaid, and true heart that wears one," for your wispy chiffon shirt with its scarf neckline, and your printed cotton tennis dress must both be inspired by clan plaids of far-off temperate days!

Scots myself, I don't rise in wrath when some Sassanach pays the compliment of "borrowing" my tartan.

Instead, I congratulate her on her taste! It is invigorating to think that the Paris designers revert again and again to the patterns and colours evolved by our ancestors, who translated the glowering blues and purples of their native hills into the medium of material.

Tailored Dressing Gown.

Women are inclining more and more to severe pyjamas and neat masculine dressing-gowns. Why not buy a length of your own—or your husband's tailored dressing-gown? You will be chic and "different." Don't buy the first "fancy" one you see, because it probably comes from abroad.

Combine favouring home industries with getting better quality for a lower price.

Coats and Skirts.

Wearing a plaid skirt for country walks, golf and curling is no novelty, but the plaid coat for London spring mornings with a pale skirt is the last word.

If your tartan is a vivid one, then wear a subdued skirt and stockings, while a sombre pattern demands light-tinted accessories.

With a white flannel summer suit, nothing would look more alluring for an afternoon than a really ruddy tartan blouse in feather-weight cotton and wool mixture or a yapping silk.

In the House.

I have seen a home-made tartan screen in a modern setting which looked charming. You buy a cheap deal frame and the necessary yards of plaid. A needle does the rest.

Tartan is sufficiently "restless" to be intensely 1931 and looks well in cushions and as curtains for the small window. Why not be first in the field? Remember never to use too much plaid—or any patterned material—and the results will be highly effective.

TO KEEP YOUR GOOD LOOKS

SIMPLE BEAUTY AIDS ARE BEST.

Modern woman has many aids to beauty at her disposal, but when it comes to beauty preparations and methods of preserving the lines of beauty, she will always find that the simplest things are best.

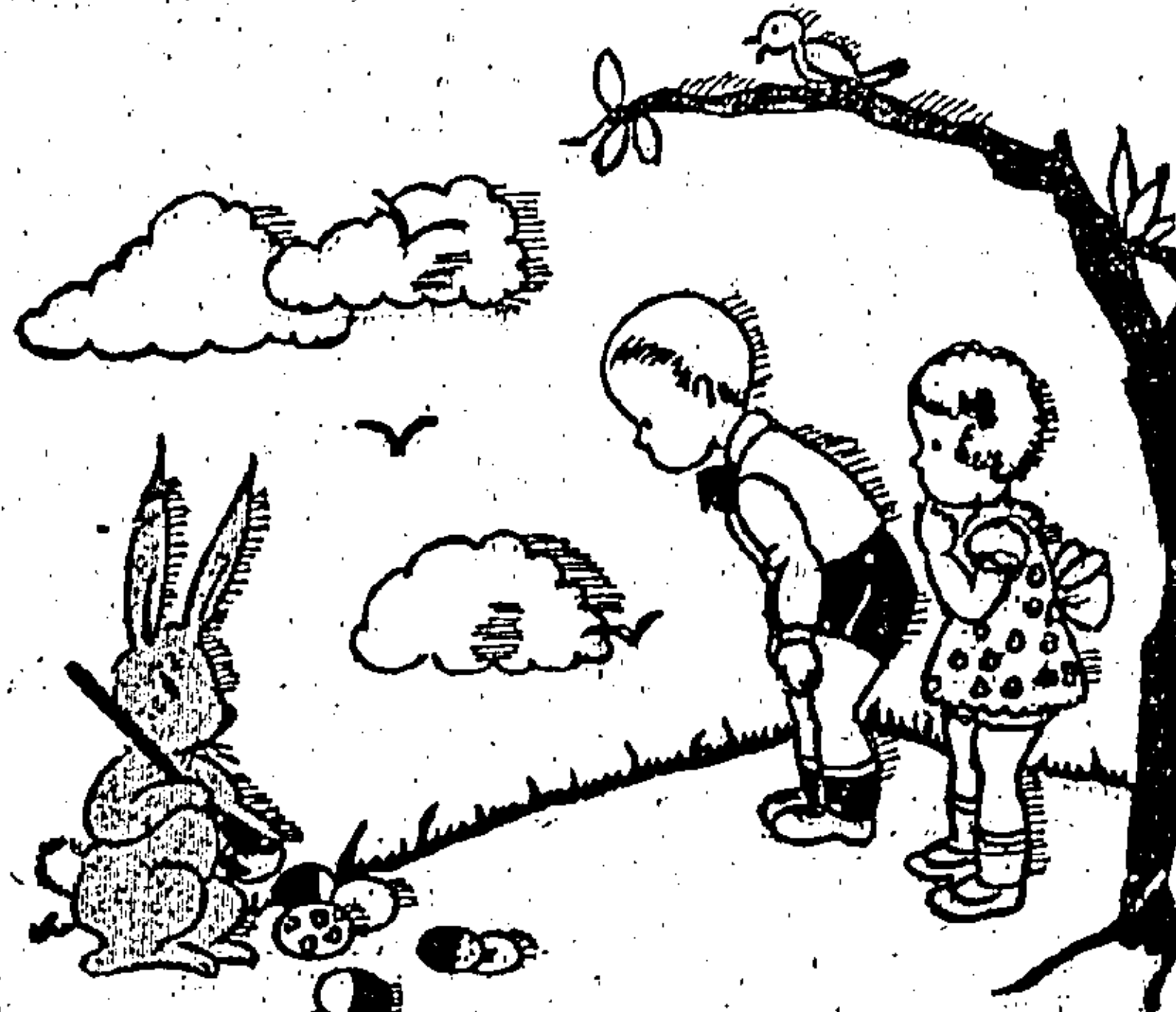
Skin deep or not, beauty must be carefully tended, for there is a lot of truth in the saying that a woman is as old as she looks.

She is also as young as she looks, and this is where the beauty bath comes in, for nothing is so thoroughly refreshing and rejuvenating as a tonic bath. And in these days of speed and hurry, when most women are on the rush all day, anything which helps to restore nervous and physical energy can only be regarded as a boon.

The bath and oatmeal bath is simple and soothing. Put a cupful each of bran and toilet oatmeal into a square of muslin together with a tablespoonful of orris root, tie up with string and immerse in the bath.

The pine-needle bath hails from Scandinavia, where baths and beauty culture have long been studied as a fine art.

Any chemist will supply you with the pine needles, which are usually sold by the pound. They are usually tied in muslin, should be placed in a quart of boiling water and allowed to stand for an hour, after which the extract will be ready to add to the bath.



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Tony tried not to be frightened, when "Lord Bob" plunged into the pond, but he was safely rescued to the side.

Tony had never been on the other side of the pond, and what do you think—there was a castle! Leaning out of the window there was a beautiful princess, too, and she said: "You can have tea with me if you like." So he went and ate pink blancmange and cake with silver spoons on it, and after that the princess said he could rescue her.

So Tony rescued the princess and took her on the back of "Lord Bob" to her father, the king, who gave him a proper fountain-pen as a reward.

Then he went home, and was soon back in the nursery sitting on "Lord Bob" in the usual corner.

SEA SPRITES.

Deep down in the ocean, far under the foam, The sea sprites and mermaids each have a wee home; They've gardens of sea-weed all planted by hand, With borders of shell which they find on the sand.

They ride on the fish and then frolic and play, With billowing waves as they break into spray. The wind is their friend and they shout with the gale; And gleefully laugh as he puffs out the sail.

Oh, life is so merry down under the sea; It's fun to invite Mr. Lobster to tea; He has many hands and each one you must shake. Before you sit down to a large sea rock cake.

The fish are so friendly, when o'er you pass by, The merry young winkles will "catch" a wink an eye; The star fish all twinkle as bright as can be.

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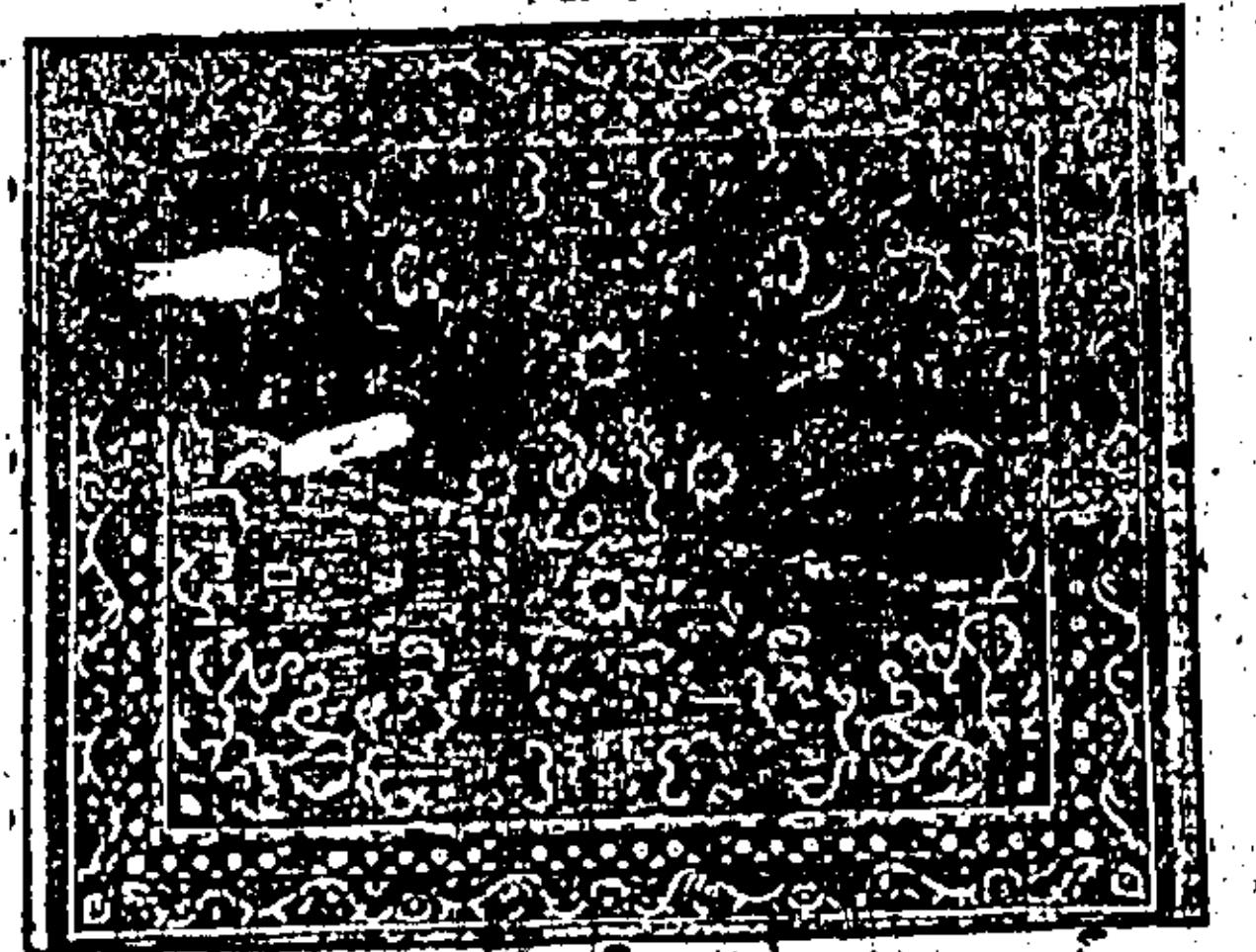
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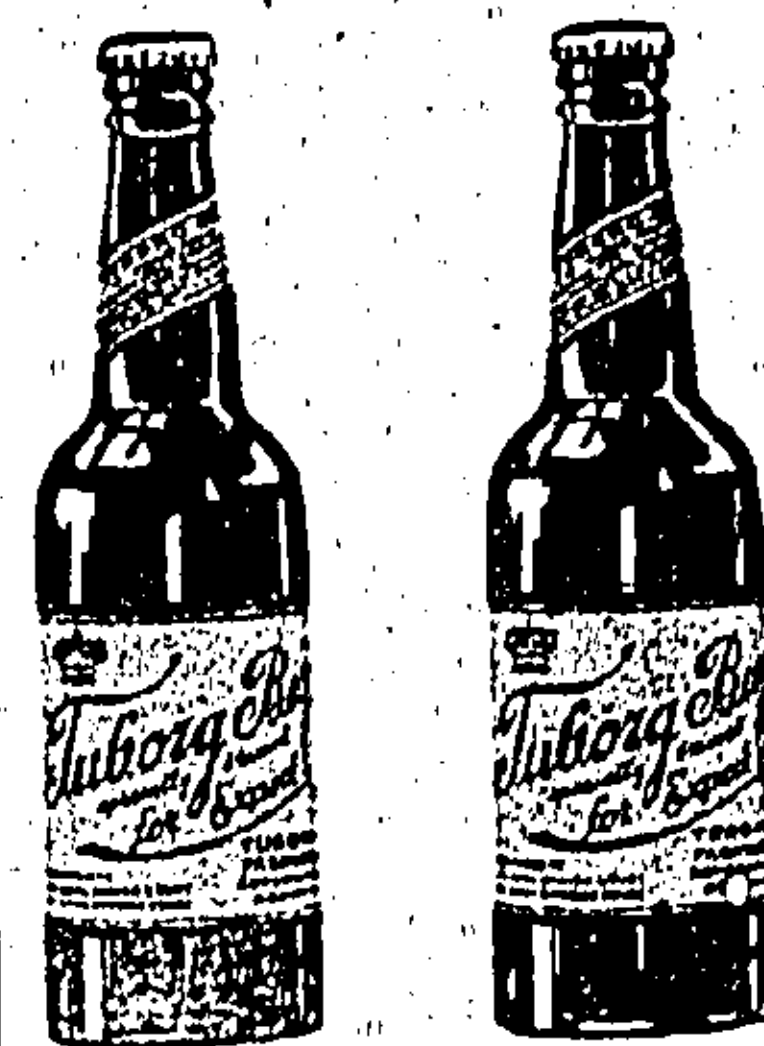
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Rainfall at Six Stations.
In the following table the month-
ly rainfall for the year 1930 at the
Observatory is compared with the

Month.	Observatory (Kowloon).	Police Station (Tai Po).	Botanical Gardens (H.K.).	Mattila Hospital (H.K.).	Fanning. Hospital.	Naval Hospital.
January	2.275	2.38	2.43	1.85	2.28	2.00
February	1.380	2.14	1.51	1.31	2.15	1.09
March	7.320	10.11	7.13	7.53	6.09	5.27
April	2.100	2.80	2.23	1.82	2.42	2.04
May	6.185	4.02	7.09	7.42	6.04	15.35
June	12.245	11.90	16.00	9.91	6.03	28.89
July	20.025	24.57	31.51	26.39	28.03	3.80
August	6.005	4.82	5.92	5.00	5.43	30.50
September	28.245	32.50	29.40	33.30	24.05	0.31
October	0.410	0.57	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02
November	0.035	0.53	0.07	0.01	0.40	1.16
December	0.800	1.45	1.23	1.21	1.56	94.78
Year	90.065	97.89	103.70	96.59	88.05	94.78

Floods.

Land slides were caused by heavy
rains on July 15.20 and and Sep-
tember 14 to 25.

A water spout occurred at Cape
D'Aguilar on September 29, after a
typhoon had passed about 200 miles
south and west of Hong Kong. A
report on the phenomenon, furnished
by the officer in charge of the
station (Mr. J. Key) was forwarded
to the Editor of the Meteorolo-
gical Magazine, London.

Typhoons.

The tracks of 16 typhoons which
occurred in the Far East during the
year 1930 are given in the Monthly
Meteorological Bulletin for Decem-
ber. On July 24 a typhoon passed
about 50 miles to the S.W. of Hong
Kong on a N.N.W. track, producing
a strong gale at the Observatory.
The maximum gust velocity was at
the rate of 83 m.p.h. from E.S.E.
at 8.23 p.m. The lowest barom-
eter reading, reduced to sea-level
and standard gravity, was 29.293
inches at 5.30 p.m.

Daily Weather Report and Map.

A weather map of the Far East,
for 8 a.m. of the 120 meridian time,
is constructed daily and litho-
graphed at the Observatory. Iso-
therms have been included since
March 6. On the 1st of the map
is printed the morning weather re-
port, from 40 to 60 stations in
China, Indo-China, Japan, Korea,
Borneo and the Philippines, and a
weather forecast for the following
districts:—

- 1.—Formosa Channel.
- 2.—S.E. Coast of China between
Hong Kong and Looch.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Cap Horn.
- 4.—South Coast of China between
Hong Kong and Hainan.

This publication is exhibited on
notice boards at the Hong Kong
and Kowloon Ferry Piers, the Har-
bour Office, at the offices of the
Cable Companies and at the General
Post Office. It may be purchased
by the general public at a sub-
scription rate of \$10 per annum.

A weather map for 2 p.m. of the
120th meridian time is also con-
structed daily. It is not published,
but an evening weather report, and
forecast based thereon, is sent to
the morning papers and exhibited
on the notice boards.

Meteorological observations made
at the Observatory at 10 a.m. and
4 p.m. are published in the local
Press.

Meteorological observations from
26 stations in the Far East, fol-
lowed by a weather report and
forecast, are broadcast by Cape
D'Aguilar (VPS) on a 600 metre
spark at 0400 and 1200 G.M.T. A
repetition of the 0400 message is
made by VPS on 2013 metres
I.C.W. at 0500 and the 1200 mes-
sage on 2013 metres I.C.W. im-
mediately following the 1300 time-
signal.

The weather reports and fore-
casts are also broadcast by the
Hong Kong Broadcasting station
(ZBW) on 355 metres telephony at
0830 and 1200 G.M.T.

Hong Kong storm warnings are
broadcast by VPS on a 600 metre
spark and by ZBW on 355 metres
telephony on receipt and at the two
subsequent hours. They are also
broadcast as above at every hour
when the typhoon is threatening
Hong Kong.

Shanghai and Manila warnings
are broadcast by VPS on a 600
metre spark on receipt, and re-
peated after an interval of 10
minutes. They are similarly broad-
cast by ZBW on 355 metres tele-
phony when the Hong Kong local
typhoon signals are displayed.

Weather Telegrams, Forecasts and
Storm Warnings.

Daily Weather Telegrams.—In
addition to the ordinary 24 and
14th observations, which the Cable
companies transmit free of charge,
the 11h and 17h observations were
received at half rates, from the
following stations:— Shanghai,
Guthrie, Amoy, Macao.

The 0700 and 2000 G.M.T. ob-
servations from Fort Bayard,
Phu-lin, Tourane, Cape Padaran
and Cape St. James, and about 12
other stations in Indo-China, are

received from Phu-lien on short
wave. This service is very valuable
and ensures the early receipt of
the observations, and at regular
hours, namely:—at 0115, 0400, 0830
and 1015 G.M.T. It also saves the
expense of obtaining the 0300 and
0600 G.M.T. observations by cable.

Other valuable services are the
0800 and 2200 G.M.T. observations
on 32 metres S.W. from Yangtze
Ports, and several stations in N.E.
China and Korea sent personally
by Father Ghersi, S.J. of the Zi
Ka Wei Observatory, and the
2100 G.M.T. observations from
Pelew, Yap, Snipen, and Ponape,
sent on 1050 metres from the Pelew
Observatory at 0200 G.M.T.

Valuable observations from
Woody Island, Paracels, were re-
ceived from May 27 to June 11.
The 0600 and 2200 G.M.T. obser-
vations from Hoihow are received by
wireless telegraphy occasionally.

The Meteorological Authorities
at Pratas continue to send, daily,
with commendable regularity and
promptitude, their 0300, 0600, 0900
and 2200 G.M.T. observations and
the 2500 observations from some
Philippine stations. They also send
hourly observations during the
passage of a typhoon.

Extra Weather Telegrams.—The
following stations send extra weath-
er telegrams at half rates during
typhoons, on receipt of certain
code words from Hong Kong:—
Amoy, Canton, Macao, Phu-lien,
Weather Bureau also sends extra
telegrams, at his discretion, from
Aparri or some other station nearer
the typhoon centre. On request,
the Director of the Taihoku Ob-
servatory sends extra weather tele-
grams from the two stations in
Formosa nearest to the centre dur-
ing passage of a typhoon.

The number of British ships
sending wireless weather messages
increased from 1004 in 1929 to 1928
in 1930. This was due to a wel-
come increase in the meteorological
activities of the Navy. The num-
ber of ships of other nationalities
decreased from 748 to 685.

Results of Weather Forecasts.

The results of comparison of the
daily weather forecasts with the
weather subsequently experienced
are given below, together with the
results for the previous five
years:—

Year.	Partial Success.	Partial Failure.	Total.
1925	62	34	96
1926	72	26	98
1927	70	26	96
1928	60	31	91
1929	70	25	95
1930	65	31	96

The forecast comprises wind
direction, wind force, and weather.
Complete success means correct in
three elements. Partial success
means correct in only two elements.
Partial failure means correct in
only one element. Total failure
means correct in no element.

Miscellaneous.

Seismograph.—No alterations
were made to the seismograph dur-
ing the year. New needle points
were fitted as required, 320 earth-
quakes were recorded during the
year 1930 as against 252 in 1929.

The results of the pilot balloon
observations have been forwarded
monthly to the Secretary of the
International Commission for the
Exploration of the upper air.

Upper Air Research.—325 balloon
ascents were made during the year.
34 meteorological flights were
made by officers of the R.A.F. be-
fore the departure of the carrier,
H.M.S. Hermes, on July 28.

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observations have been forwarded
monthly to the Secretary of the
International Commission for the
Exploration of the upper air.

The following days were selected
by the International Commission as
days for international ascents:—
January 13-15, May 13-15 and
September 13-15. September was
chosen as the "International
month." Balloon ascents were
made on January 13-14, May 13-15
and September 13, 14, 15, 16, and 20.

Special ascents were made at 8.30
a.m. on March 12-14 in connection
with R.A.F. bombing practice.

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Communication with Stonecut-
ters.—Direct telegraphic communi-
cation between the Observatory and
Stonecutters Wireless Station was
restored on February 18. Commu-
nication had been by telephone
only since 1927, October. For the
accurate transmission of weather
telegrams telegraphic tape ma-
chines are essential.

(Course in Meteorology.—Lieut.
A. St. J. Edwards, R.N., H.M.S.
Hermes, Assistant to Senior Ob-
server, took a course in meteorology
at the Observatory from February
24 to March 28.

Short wave experimental emis-
sions.—Watch was kept at the
Observatory Wireless Station for
the short wave experimental emis-
sions from Paris and Lyons on
January 11-18, May 31, June 7,
13, 21, 28, November 22, 29, Decem-
ber 6, 13.

The signals of the first two series
were heard at varying strengths,
but those of the third series were
not heard at Hong Kong.

Conferences.—The Director at-
tended a Conference held at the
Observatory from January 22-24
to consider the meteorological
needs of the Navy. Commander
E. W. Kitchin, R.N., presided, the
details and agenda having been
planned by Commander L. G.
Garbutt, R.N. (Retired) Superin-
tendent of the Navy Services Divi-
sion, Meteorological Office, London,
who came to Hong Kong to at-
tend the Conference.

The recommendations of the
Conference, when carried out,
should do much to improve the
Hong Kong and Malaya Weather
Services and, prove great benefit to
H.M. Ships on the China Station.
A Conference of Directors of
Far Eastern Weather Services was
held in the Council Chamber from
April 28 to May 2, in accordance
with a resolution passed at the
International Conference of Direc-
tors of Weather Services held at
Copenhagen in 1929.

The object of the conference was
to secure uniformity throughout
the Far East in:—
(a) The codes used for local
and non-local, visual storm warn-
ings.

(b) The code used for transmit-
ting daily weather Reports by
cable.

The conference was attended by
representatives from the following
Weather Services:—

Hong Kong, Indo-China, Nan-
king, Philippines, Pratas, Tsing-
tao, Zi-kai-kei.

The Conference recommended
that the Hong Kong Code of Local
Storm Signals, as amended at the
Conference, should be adopted by
Weather Services in the Far East
which use a Local Storm Signal,
and that the China Seas Storm
Signal Code, as revised by the
Director of the Royal Observatory,
Hong Kong, and amended at the
Conference, be adopted by Weather
Services in the Far East which use
a Non-Local Storm Signal Code.

The Conference also recommend-
ed that the Six-letter Code for
transmission of weather telegrams
by cable proposed by the Director
of the Royal Observatory, Hong
Kong, as amended at the Confer-
ence, should be adopted throughout
the Far East.

Staff.—No change occurred in
the European or local staff during
the year.

Acknowledgements.—Acknow-
ledgements are here made to the
Naval Authorities for their co-
operation in securing daily ob-
servations from H.M. Ships and
for meteorological flights by officers
of the R.A.F. to the Directors of
Weather Services in the Far East,
and the Chinese Maritime Customs
Authorities, for daily observations
by cable and radio-telegraphy, and
extra observations during typhoon
weather, to the Telegraph Com-
panies for transmitting the major-
ity of the observations, free of
charge, to the Commanders of ves-
sels who have furnished meteorolo-
gical observations by post and by
radio-telegraphy to the Directors
of the various Observatories and
Institutions, and private persons,
who have presented their publica-
tions to the Library and to the
Observatory staff for the efficient
manner in which they have carried
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"SAY IT WITH SONGS."

Al Jolson, truthfully credited with having brought the infant Vitaphone into full growth with "The Jazz Singer" and "The Singing Fool," the two pictures that gave such tremendous impetus to talking pictures, is now starring in his third all-singing, all-dialogue feature for Warner Brothers, to be seen at the Queen's Theatre on Sunday.

"Say It With Songs," the story of a father's sacrifice, was written by Darryl Zanuck and Harvey H. Gates and the talking scenario was done by Joseph Jackson. Lloyd Bacon directed and the cast includes, in addition to tiny Davey Lee, Marian Nixon, Kenneth Thompson, Holmes Herbert and Fred Kohler.

Many brilliant new songs and several of the old favourites are sung by Jolson in the whirlwind course of "Say It With Songs."

STAR THEATRE.

"WHAT A WIDOW."

Gloria Swanson's latest screen offering, the talking and singing comedy, "What a Widow," the United Artists picture which comes to the Star Theatre on Saturday, is not only the star's first comedy in several seasons, but is also one of the most costly productions of her career. Her wardrobe affords a fashion show in itself. Modernistic sets, by Paul Nelson of Paris, are of a type entirely new to the screen. In addition, Miss Swanson sings three songs written for the picture by Vincent Youmans, librettist of a number of Broadway's outstanding musical shows.

The supporting cast of "What a Widow," which was directed by Allan Dwan, includes Owen Moore, Lew Cody, Margaret Livingston, Gregory Gayer, Herbert Braggotti, Adrienne D'Ambricourt, Nella Walker, Daphne Pollard and William Holden.

The original story was written by Josephine Lovell. James Gleason and James Seymour collaborated in writing the dialogue. The picture concerns the adventures of a romantic young madcap who suddenly finds himself the possessor of a million dollars and a restless urge to go everywhere and do everything.

CENTRAL THEATRE.

"FLIGHT."

"Flight," the Columbia all-talking aviation special which is to be shown at the Central Theatre on 7th instant is a mighty drama of adventure in the sky featuring the most sensational air feats ever photographed. A capable cast including Jack Holt and Ralph Graves, one of the screen's favourite teams, Lila Lee, Harold Goodwin, Jimmy De La Cruz and Alan Roscoe handle their roles with skill and artistry.

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According to the plaintiffs, it was agreed that the rubber wire should be delivered in four lots and that payments should be made according to deliveries. Two deliveries were made and defendants handed plaintiffs promissory notes in gold currency for Tls. 9,000 but these were not cashed when due. Exchange dropped and plaintiff accordingly claimed the difference.

The defence was that the question of exchange had been settled long ago and that, if plaintiffs failed to cash the promissory notes when they became due, it was no fault of the defence. Furthermore, the rubber wire was not in accordance with the contract standard.

Counsel in the case were Drs. Francis S. Liu, W. Vogel and Mr. Tseu Yu, for plaintiffs, and Dr. L. C. Yang, for the defence.

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12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.2 p.m.—Close down.
2 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 10.30 p.m.—European programme of H.M.V. and Victor records supplied by Messrs. Montrose & Co.
7 to 7.58 p.m.—

Variety.

Orchestral—"This Year of Grace" Selections.—The New Mayfair Orchestra.
Orchestral—"Blue Eyes"—Selections.—The New Mayfair Orch.
Organ Solo—"Riff Song"—Reginald Foort.
Organ Solo—"Desert Song"—Reginald Foort.
Song—"A Little Kiss Each Morning"—Anona Winn (Soprano).
Song—"Now I'm in Love"—Anona Winn (Soprano).
Mandolin and Piano—"Concert Mazurka" (Clare)—Mario De Pietro.
Banjo and Piano—"Frivolous Jee"—(Pietro)—Mario De Pietro.
Humorous Song—"I Just Can't Figure It Out at All"—Gracie Fields.
Humorous Song—"Fanny"—(My Hot Spanish Night)—Gracie Fields.
Vocal Duet—"One Mad Kiss"—Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham.
Vocal Duet—"Deep in My Heart"—Winnie Melville and Derek Oldham.
Song—"My Old Kentucky Home"—Paul Robeson (Bass).
Song—"O! Man! River"—Paul Robeson (Bass).
Song—"You Want Lovin' and I Want Love"—Ann Penn.
Song—"Spread a Few Dark Shadows"—Ann Penn.
3 p.m.—Weather report, local time, etc.
7.58 to 8.35 p.m.—

Gilbert and Sullivan.

"Iolanthe"—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
"Pirates of Penzance"—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
"The Yeomen of the Guard"—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
"H.M.S. Pinafore"—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
"The Gondoliers"—The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
8.35 to 8.52 p.m.—"Faust Ballet Music" (Gounod).—Royal Opera Orch., Covent Garden.
8.52 to 9.30 p.m.—Chorus—"The Heavens Are Telling"—The Choir of Temple Church, London.
Organ and Piano Duet—"Pastorale" (Guilmant).—Arthur Meale and Neville Taylor.
Chorus—"Veni Domine" (Mendelssohn)—Westminster Cathedral Choir.
Chorus—"Ave Verum" (Elgar).—Westminster Cathedral Choir.
Trio—"1 Zingari" (Leoncavallo).—De Groot (Violin), David Bor (Piano), H.M. Calve (Cello).
Trio—"Mirage" (Coates).—De Groot (Violin), David Bor (Piano), H.M. Calve (Cello).
Choir—"Comes at Times"—Choir of Canterbury Cathedral.
Choir—"Remember Not"—Choir of Canterbury Cathedral.
Organ Solo—"Touper Valiente" (Feldman).—Sydney Cuttard.
Organ Solo—"Up for D'Amour" (Silesu).—Sydney Cuttard.9.30 to 10 p.m.—Pianoforte recital from the Studio by Miss L. Pecker.
1. "Sonata No. 12" (Beethoven).
2. "La Tambourin" (Rameau).
3. "Children's Corner No. 3 and 4" (Debussy).
4. "Ballad No. 2" (Chopin).
5. "Russian Dance" (Tchaikovsky).
10 to 10.30 p.m.—"L'Arlesienne—Excerpts" (Bizet).—Leopold Stokowski and Philadelphia Orchestra.
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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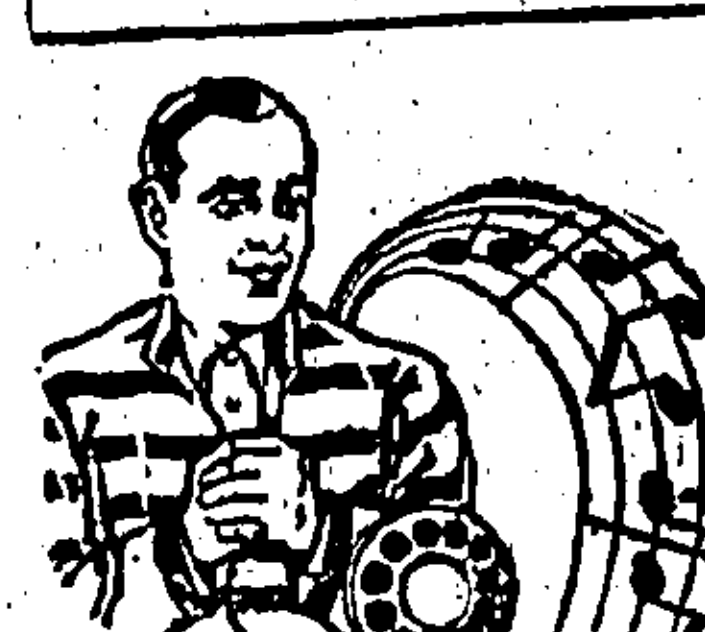
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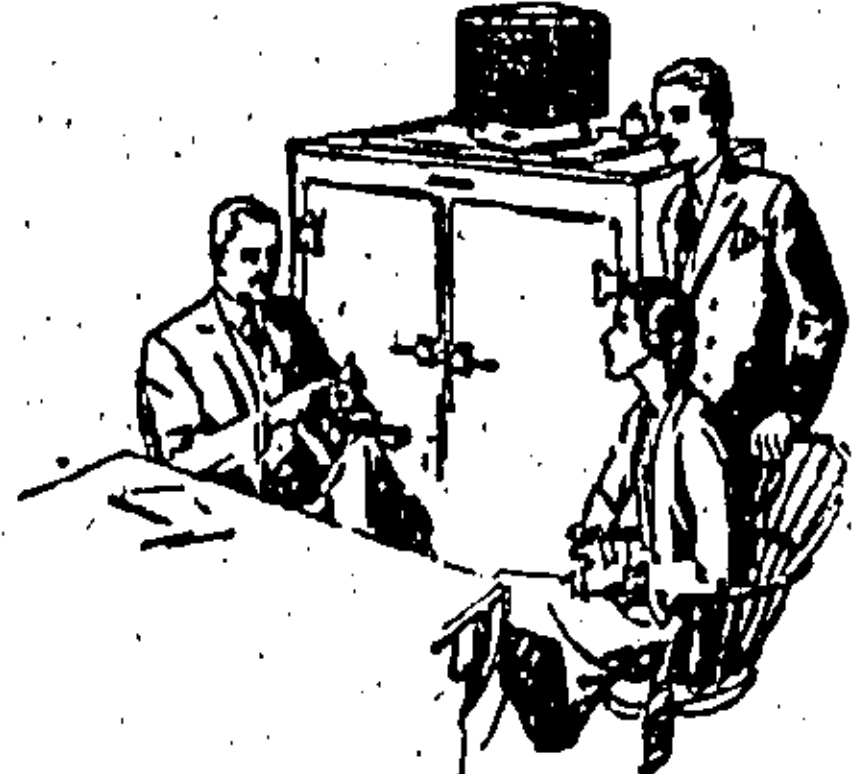
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THE J.C.J.L. NEW LINER.

TIFFIN PARTY ABOARD S.S. TJINEGARA.

A very successful tiffin party was given yesterday aboard the m.s. Tjinegara, the new J.C.J.L. liner, which arrived here on Wednesday on her first visit to this port. A large number of local business men were present, nearly all the local shipping firms being represented.

Mr. A. van Gelder, the manager of the local branch of the J.C.J.L., and Captain Weide, the master of the Tjinegara, received their guests at the gangway, and soon settled them in the comfortable lounge near the saloon where preliminary refreshments, including many well-known brews from Holland, were duly served.

After an excellent tiffin Mr. van Gelder, in welcoming the guests to this new motor ship, said that this was the first time he had used the term motor-ship in connection with the Company's fleet. In four or five months' time, however, they hoped to have a second vessel out here exactly similar to the Tjinegara. Their object was to provide a quick and convenient service between China and Java, and this ship had easily exceeded her designed speed of 13½ knots on her trials, when she maintained a good 15 knots. No doubt she would do more when light—but they didn't want that to happen too often. (Laughter.)

Passenger Service.

When the line was started in 1903, they hardly knew what a passenger was. But the demand for passenger accommodation had grown steadily and these two ships were designed to meet it, and to provide the amenities which people looked for to-day. After tiffin he hoped the guests would find time to look round not only the first class quarters, but the second and third class accommodation and that provided for the many Chinese deck passengers, who formed a valuable part of their business. He felt sure they would form a favourable impression of what the ship was like when fully laden and under way. In conclusion, Mr. van Gelder congratulated Captain Weide on the ship's safe and successful maiden voyage and hoped that he would bring her many times into Hong Kong harbour.

Mr. Cameron's Word of Advice.

Mr. A. Cameron, of the Canadian Pacific S.S. Co., returned thanks for the lavish hospitality and great cordiality with which they had been received. He expressed a warm welcome to the Tjinegara, and hoped that she and her sister ships would enjoy every success. "Now you have gone in for passengers," said Mr. Cameron, "let me give you a word of warning and advice. You will have to dress and behave differently from when you only had cargo that could neither see nor answer back. (Laughter.)"

Mr. Quist and the J.C.J.L. Company.

Mr. Quist, the Consul-General for the Netherlands, said:—I have co-operated with the Java-China-Japan Line for over 20 years, as a Vice-Consul under Consul-General in Shanghai and Hong Kong, as a Consul-General here since 1923. With a little give and take on both sides, the co-operation has been excellent and most friendly—the Java Line has been giving me plenty of work, but Mr. van Gelder may very well remark that I have taken the fees, quite a considerable amount of money per annum.

I have always had the interests of the Company at heart, in the past, and they will continue in the future. When I see a new addition to their fleet as the beautiful "Tjinegara," on which we lunch to-day and which I visited already yesterday, I rejoice, with justified pride and not with conceit, just as much as the Directors, Agents, Captains, and staff of the Company. Wholeheartedly I can say, my good wishes are for this ship and her captain.

One word of caution—more in the nature of a joke—I would like to give to Captain Weide, i.e., to avoid the sea serpent. Fictitious as the much dreaded reptile may be it may be lurking in the form and shape of submerged, uncharted rocks, shallows, drifts, typhoons and fog. I trust that you, Captain Weide, will succeed in bringing this fine ship under your command—always safely home.

I drink to the successful career of the m.s. "Tjinegara." (Applause.)

WOMAN WANTED IN AMERICA.

SOLICITOR CRITICIZES REPEATED DELAYS.

"ABOMINABLE" TREATMENT.

"I think this Court has been treated with contempt, and the Hong Kong Government has been treated in a most abominable fashion by the United States Government," declared Mr. F. H. Loseby at the Central Magistracy yesterday, in commenting on the delay in extradition formalities which have caused his client, Mrs. Jung Shee, to be held in custody for several weeks past.

Mrs. Jung Shee is accused of having embezzled \$25,000 (Gold) while in California. Through her solicitor, she had intimated at previous appearances before the Court her readiness to waive the formality of extradition proceedings and return to California of her own accord.

Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., informed the Magistrate yesterday that there had been no further intimation from the United States through the local Consulate-General, and he applied for a further formal remand.

In Custody Since February. The Magistrate (Mr. Schofield) said he hoped that further news would arrive before the end of the month. He again granted another formal remand, until the 9th, bail for the defendant being as before.

Mrs. Jung Shee has now been in the custody of the Hong Kong Police since February, and it has been alleged by Mr. Loseby that the delay has been entirely due to a squabble as to who shall pay the fare to America.

Bail, which was fixed originally at \$100,000, was at length reduced to \$75,000.

Mr. Loseby has intimated his intention of calling the Secretary of State for the Colonies in connection with the matter.

CROWN LEASES SHOW BIG INCREASE.

LAND OFFICER'S REPORT FOR 1930.

A big increase in the number of Crown leases is shown in the annual report for 1930, issued by the Land Officer, Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg. These totalled 974, as against 822 in the previous year. At no time during the past ten years has anything like this total been recorded, the highest hitherto being 250 in 1928.

The total Crown rents amounted to \$625,135.21, being an increase of \$19,888.04 over 1929.

The total number of instruments registered during the year was 6,517, these being on sales, mortgages, surrenders and miscellaneous land transactions. The total consideration involved was \$130,058,744.10.

The total area of land leased during the year under review was 632 acres and 5.9/10 poles, of which 455 acres, 1 rood and 23 poles were dealt with by the District Officers. Seventy-four surrenders of land required for public purposes (including surrenders under contracts of exchange) were prepared and registered in the Land Office, the total consideration for those required for public purposes amounting to \$1,145,705.40.

The total amount of fees collected (exclusive of the New Territories) amounted to \$116,854.75 in 1930, an increase of \$40,724.25 on the preceding year. Land Registration Fees in the New Territories amounted to \$7,010.30 and Crown Lease Fees to \$90.00.

Stamp Duties paid on registered documents (exclusive of Probates and Letters of Administration) amounted to \$959,194.15. Stamp Duties on Probates and Letters of Administration registered amounted to \$509,316.20.

FEWER MARRIAGES.

REPORT OF REGISTRAR FOR LAST YEAR.

The report of the Registrar of Marriages for the year 1930 states:—

The number of marriages celebrated in the Colony during the year was 187, of which 85 were between Chinese persons, as compared with 225 (and 94) respectively in 1929—a decrease of 38.

The total amount of fees received was \$2,050 as compared with \$2,447.75 in 1929—a decrease of \$397.75.

Marriages by Special License—25.

At licensed places of public worship—8.

At the office of the Registrar of Marriages—17.

Marriages by Registrar's Certificate—102.

At licensed places of public worship—123.

At the office of the Registrar of Marriages—39.

HONG KONG SHARE MARKET.

BENJAMIN & POTTS' WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts' weekly share report dated yesterday states:—

The past week has seen a very active market and higher prices in most instances have been established. Attention has again been chiefly centred in various Land and Public Utility shares while Hotels and Cements have also come into good demand and have been the medium of large turnover.

Banks.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks, in sympathy with the drop in Exchange, have strengthened and were negotiated to a fair extent up to \$2,035. The London quotation is \$111.10.0 (Middle) according to telegraphic advice.

Marine and Fire Insurances.—Unions were dealt in again at \$630 but have since risen to \$630. Canton has eased off a bit and were sold at \$1,375. Hong Kong Fire closed steady at \$1,300. Underwriters have had a smart rise with sales made up to \$4.20. A small lot of China Fire changed hands at \$525.

Shipping.—Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have recovered to a buying rate of \$25½. "Shells" Bearer have further receded to 65½. Waterboats have remained steady at \$35½ ex the dividend of \$1.50 just paid.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Kowloon Wharves were placed at \$150. Whampoa Docks at \$29½ are quiet, with no business passing. China Providents (Old) are enquired for at \$5.10 ex the dividend of 10 cents just paid. There are buyers of Shanghai Docks at Tls. 108. Hongkong Wharves at Tls. 292 and New Engineerings at Tls. 61.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong Kong Lands continue firm with buyers at \$84½ and sales reported at \$85. Hong Kong Hotels were active and were placed to a large extent at \$14.20/\$14.30. Humphreys Estates are lower at \$16½. Rentals, under an unsatisfied enquiry, have advanced from \$9.00 to \$11.30 and a large business has been done at intervening rates.

Public Utilities.—Transactions were effected in Hong Kong Electric at 87½ and there are further buyers. Star Ferries are very strong, having risen to 892. Hong Kong Trams were again hooked at 817½ and continue in request. China Lights have been the medium of a fair turnover at \$24½/\$24.70. A further appreciation of Hong Kong Telephones (party paid) took place early in the week to \$40, but the market at the close is easier with no buyers over \$36½. The fully paid shares have hardened and are in demand at \$40.

Miscellaneous.—A large business has been done in Green Island Cements and the price has climbed upwards steadily to \$16.50. Hong Kong Ropes have fallen away to \$13.40. Business was recorded in China Entertainments at the improved quotation of \$19.65. Constructions were placed in fair quantities up to \$34. Dairy Farms are bid up to \$12, but the demand was short lived and the price quickly dropped to \$10 at which figure they are now obtainable. Amusements have advanced to \$20 and \$17 for the Old and New shares respectively.

Loans.—Crawfords have buyers at \$4½ after sales at \$4. There are sellers of Hong Kong Government Loan at 6 per cent. premium. Mining.—Venezuela Goldfields saw quite a fair business around \$3.50. Benguet are wanted at \$10. Raubs are quiet, but steady at \$38.

Cotton Mills.—Evos were again negotiated to a fair extent at improving rates up to Tls. 15.16. Shanghai Cottons at Tls. 108 mark a further rise. Zoong Sings are enquired for at Tls. 11.00. 75.

Rubber.—Plantation Rubber comes through from London at 31d. per lb., and the following are the latest cabled quotations received from Shanghai.

Buyers.	Tls.
Anglo-Javas	6.00
Anglo-Dutch	2.25
Batu Anans	35
Chemors	85
Consolidateds	1.40
Kroewoks	1.30
Rapahs	75
Tanah Menahs	65
Tebongs	1.40
Ziengbes	1.50

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London is 11½d. and on Shanghai 77½. Forward Settlement Days.—April 28, May 28 and June 24, 1931.

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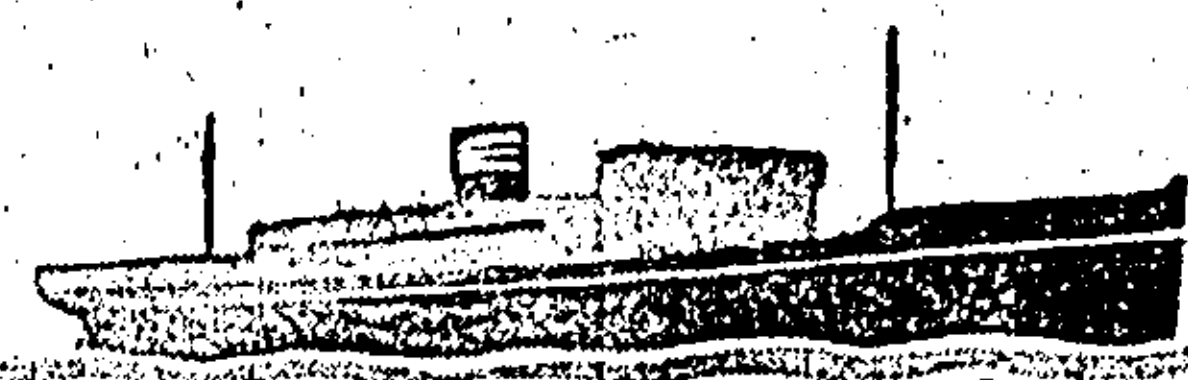
Delivered to Peak District (above Bowen Road)	\$24.00 per ton
Delivered to Bowen Road and lower levels	\$22.00 per ton
Delivered to Pokfulam Road	\$24.00 per ton
Delivered to Kowloon	\$20.00 per ton

The increases are purely temporary and will cease to operate as soon as supplies are again available.

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BOMB OUTRAGE IN CANTON.

THREE KILLED AND TWO INJURED.

(Wah Tei Yat Pau.)

CANTON, April 2.

A sensational explosion took place in Canton this morning when a bomb, secretly laid at the door of a building at the end of the Chin Yin Street (near the Bund) by an unknown person, exploded, resulting in three deaths and two injured.

Following the outrage a large body of armed police were hurried to the scene and made a thorough search of the surrounding quarters. However, no arrest was made.

CANTON ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

TO BE COMPLETED TWO YEARS HENCE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CANTON, April 2.

The Canton Municipal Government formally started constructing its new administration building on the northern portion of Central Park yesterday immediately after the conclusion of the ground-breaking ceremony performed by Mayor Lin Yui Koy.

The building will be large enough to house all the staffs of the six bureaux constituting the Municipal Government, in addition to the general offices of the Mayor. When completed, it will be one of the most up-to-date and beautiful public buildings in South China. It will, like so many of the Government buildings erected in recent years, be a blend of Western architecture and Oriental art. Coloured tiles will be used on the roof, resembling somewhat the Imperial Palaces of the defunct Manchurian dynasty in Peking in outward appearance. The interior as well as the exterior wall will be constructed of steel and concrete. While preserving the Chinese conception of architectural beauty, the builders and contractors have given due consideration to comfort, convenience and permanence—a predominating factor in all modern buildings.

The building is expected to be completed for occupation two years hence. The cost will be in the neighbourhood of \$1,500,000. When finished, the six Municipal bureaux, now scattered all over the city, will each occupy a certain portion of the big building.

The need for such a building in a central location has long been felt. The present Municipal buildings, scattered far and wide, are not thought to be in keeping with the dignity and progress of the Canton Government. Moreover, co-operation and co-ordination among the different bureaux are lacking unless they are grouped together.

COUNTERFEITING CHARGES

CROWN EVIDENCE REGARDING "PLANT."

The initial hearing of the counterfeiting charges against Li Chi, Wan Lan, and Chan Ah Sze was heard before Mr. E. H. Williams at the Central Police Court yesterday.

Chau Yin, Wan and Chan Kam Chuen, who were charged with conspiring with the first three defendants, were discharged as there was no evidence against them.

The architect who drew up the plans for the house, in which the defendants were arrested, and the owner of the house were called as witnesses. The owner stated that she had never seen any of the three defendants before, she had rented the house to another man, who took it under another person's name.

Det. Sgt. Carrie, in the witness box, told of entering the house and of finding the counterfeiting "plant." All of the tools and materials that were seized were shown to his Worship. This consisted of 20 American dollars, a tray of French coins, molds, scales, acids, a small blast furnace and smelting and washing pans.

The evidence took up most of the afternoon and the prosecution asked that this case be adjourned until April 7.

EASTER HOLIDAY RACING.

LENGTHY PROGRAMME AND GOOD ENTRIES GIVE PROMISE OF KEEN SPORT.

SOME NOTES AND SELECTIONS FOR THE PUNTER.

(By "MORNING DEW.")

With the exception of Diana Bay, which, as a China pony, is in a class by itself, all the prominent candidates racing here at the Annual Race Meeting have been entered for the two-days meeting arranged for to-morrow and Monday. Those who intend to go to the races should note that the first saddling bell on each day will be rung at 12 noon and that the tiffin interval will be after the second race.

The rails on the track have been shifted back to their old position thus rendering the straight very narrow. In this connection it will be interesting to see how the narrowed straight will effect the big fields that are sure to go to the post to-morrow.

HANDICAPS VERY OPEN.

The handicaps, of course, are the races to watch, and of the eleven events, no fewer than six are in this category. The weights were published a few days ago but they failed to reveal any "good things," thus showing the depth of the handicapper's skill.

Rosehill Stakes.

Mr. Chan Tin Son's unbeatable Woodland Stag carries top weight here (170 lbs.) with Wattle next carrying 11 lbs. less and The Raindrop and Kilren next receiving 14 lbs. from the top-weight. I think the winner will come from one of these four although there are twelve entries in all. Woodland Stag ran so well at the Annual Meeting that he might confidently be expected to "hump his load to-morrow and bring the honour to his stable. Of the remaining three, I like The Raindrop best as he has been showing improvement lately. Wattle is not bad, but I do not like Kilren's chances although I should be the last person to ignore his claims.

Colonial Stakes.

Over this five furlong rush, there appears to be nothing among the entries likely to beat Apollo although both Glencagles and Helman, if started, might extend Mr. Chan Tin Son's candidate. In view of his wonderful showing at the last extra meeting, when he returned a 2.01 mile on a heavy course, Boxing Eve might be sent out here, in which case we might be provided with an upset, but the possibility of such an occurrence is extremely remote. However, the race ought to be interesting as four big stables will be engaged, and after Apollo, I like the chances of Boxing Eve and Glencagles.

Commonwealth Handicap "C" Class.

There are almost sixty ponies in this race, but perhaps more than half will be going out elsewhere. Mr. Ho Kom Tong has Brunswick Hall, Britanic Hall and Bridge Hall and it looks very much as if he will account for this race. Britannia Hall has only 148 pounds to look after, and in a big field over a short distance, he might do it. Bridge Hall, in spite of his 150 pounds, is also worth following. After these I should think Fifty-Fifty, in spite of his 161 pounds, and Christmas Belle are others likely to be placed. The subscription griffins of this season classified in this group will probably go out for the Union Plate or the Dominion Plate later in the day. A pony likely to upset calculations here is Loveret, as he is shaping very well at the moment.

Commonwealth Handicap "B" Class.

Some very good ponies are in the "B" Class and Cyclamen Bay, the top-weight, might find it hard to account for some of the lightly-weighted ponies. Like Winsome Stag and Valorous. The last named is fighting fit at the moment and may redeem his many defeats at the Annual Meeting. Pickle and Monterey Bay are racing with only 142 pounds on the saddle and both, as is well-known, are speed demons with light weights. Fair Sport with 149 pounds is not such a bad thing, and on the whole the race is very open with Winsome Stag and Valorous a little more prominent than the others.

Easter Stakes.

King's Service, the Derby winner, or Helman, is likely to carry the Dynasty colours in this race and whichever is selected ought to be watched. Fortune Bay and Cyclamen Bay will represent the Dunbar Stable and if the former is selected

ed he should get a place. If Boxing Eve is sent out here, he will give a very good account of himself, though I fancy if he did not start in the five furlongs he would probably go out in the Commonwealth "A." In the absence of Boxing Eve, Gay Crusader should be a good each way bet.

Commonwealth "A" Class.

If all the crackjacks avoid Apollo, this race is likely to attract a very classy field. Over six furlongs there ought to be a very interesting struggle between Boxing Eve, King's Bounty, Zorhan and Glencagles and the chances are all in favour of the last named which has 148 pounds to look after and which beat Boxing Eve over five furlongs in March. Some very good ponies are weighted here at under 135 pounds, but the jockey problem is going to be a very difficult one.

Empire Handicap "B" Class.

Fair Sport has only 140 pounds to carry here and should just about do it, although he will have to work very hard with Peppercorn running at 134 pounds. Of the others, I like Monterey Bay, whose 142 pounds do not look like too big a burden, nor does the 149 pounds allotted to Lobster Bay appear too formidable. There should be a very good race, but I think the lighter-weighted ones will do the trick as there appears to be nothing in the heavier weights to give them a race. Daylight Eve appears to be a very good outside bet.

Union Plate.

For non-winning subscription griffins this race ought to draw a big field, but if Azalea Leaf starts he should walk away with the event. I understand, however, that the Leaf might start in the Dominion Plate. Under the circumstances Vamoose and Twilight ought to make a good fight of it with the odds slightly in favour of the former. Much will depend on the start. After Twilight, I should think awaken Lion is the best thing for a place.

Dominion Plate.

Although this is not on the schedule as the race of the day, I think events will prove that it will provide a very close struggle. Misamis, The Quail, Tunney, Duke of Brittany, Tay, Good Day, Happy Returns, Jan Stever are some of the potential winners entered. The Quail appears to have the best chance, provided the race is not too slow. If it should develop into a game of patience, I think Misamis will walk away with the honours. Tunney is a good bet each way as he will probably be ridden by Mr. Heard. One can almost imagine the excitement as the field wrestles out the last hundred yards of the race. From the standard of the ponies in this race there is every prospect of a very thrilling finish.

Empire Handicap "A" Class.

Sitting Bull will probably make little of the opposition in this race, although on his present form Wisdom Stag is likely to give him a good race. Royal Flush will probably take advantage of the small weight allotted to him here but he does not appeal. If King's Bounty is kept back for this race, there ought to be a very interesting duel between him and Sitting Bull, but I like the latter's finish and will consequently tip him to win. The Dunbar Stable might also send out Elliot Bay, in which case an each way bet on this pony might prove profitable.

Commonwealth Handicap "D" Class.

For the last race of the day, Loch Sloy and Happy Choice appear to have the best chances and are certainly good each way bets. Those looking for good outsiders might do worse than back Vadio or Tom Thumb, two ponies which have not had the best of luck so far.

THE SELECTIONS.

The selections for to-day are as follows:—

Race 1.

Woodland Stag.
The Raindrop.
Wattle or Kilren.

Race 2.

Apollo.
King's Bounty (if started).
Glencagles.

Race 3.

Loveret.
Fifty-Fifty.
Britanic Hall.

Race 4.

Valorous.
Winsome Stag.
Cyclamen Bay.

Race 5.

Helman.
Boxing Eve (if started).
Gay Crusader.

Race 6.

Glencagles.
King's Bounty.
Boxing Eve.

Race 7.

Peppercorn.
Fair Sport.
Lobster Bay.

Race 8.

Azalea Leaf.
Vamoose.
Twilight.

Race 9.

Tunney.
Duke of Brittany.
The Quail or Misamis.

Race 10.

Sitting Bull.
Wisdom Stag.
Vasylcock.

Race 11.

Nonkhail.
Loch Sloy.
Happy Choice.

THE "SELANDIA."

FIRST MOTORSHIP EVER BUILT.

The m.s. Selandia by which His Majesty the King of Siam arrived in the Colony on Tuesday, is the first motorship ever built which originated the era of motor-vessels. The Selandia was constructed by Burmeister & Wain, Copenhagen.

She was launched in 1912, and has since been kept in constant commission on the Company's Copenhagen-Bangkok run. Her dimensions are 370.4/53.2/27.1 feet. The present is the Selandia's first visit to Hong Kong, and coinciding with the arrival here of the m.s. Felix Roussel, it will be interesting for engineers to draw a comparison between this the first venture in motorship building and the latest developments.

The Selandia is a combined passenger and cargo motor-vessel, with accommodation for 22 first-class passengers in eleven outside, spacious and well-appointed cabins. She is scheduled to sail from Hong Kong to Europe via ports on or about April 17, and we understand that a couple of berths are still available.

The local agents are Messrs. John Manners & Co., Ltd. Mercantile Bank Building.

NORWEGIAN SHIP HITS ROCK.

COMES TO GREIF AT HAINAN STRAITS.

According to news received locally yesterday, the s.s. Tonjer, a Norwegian freighter chartered to the Kaian Mining Administration, while on a trip from Hong Kong to Shanghai, fouled a rock at Ching-mei Point and is now fast.

A Japanese salvage boat which happened to be in the Hainan Straits at the time is now standing by the Tonjer, which is reported to be looking in the forehold.

The s.s. Tonjer is a steel screw steamer of 3,278 (1,949 net) tonnage. She was built in 1920 by Smith's Dock Co., Ltd., Middlesbrough and is owned by the Norwegian shipping firm of Dampsk. Akties. Corona (Messrs. H. M. Wrangell & Co., managers). She was registered at Haugesund, Norway.

The dimensions of the Tonjer are: length, 334.2; breadth, 48.0; depth, 22.7.

NO PUBLIC BEACHES.

GOVERNMENT'S REPLY TO HON. MR. BRAGA.

REASONS FOR DECREASED SUPPORT.

At yesterday's meeting of the Legislative Council, the Hon. Colonial Secretary, in reply to questions put by Hon. Mr. Braga, indicated that there will be no public bathing establishments either in Hong Kong or Kowloon this year, except at Kennedy Town.

The question and answer were as follows:—
Hon. Mr. Braga:—Will the Hon. the Colonial Secretary state whether any reduction is contemplated this summer in the facilities usually afforded to residents in Hong Kong and at Kowloon in the matter of public bathing beaches?

The Colonial Secretary:—The use made of the public bathing beaches in Kowloon has decreased so much in the last year or two that no provision was made for this purpose in the Estimates for 1931. The principal reasons for the decrease appear to be the growth of bathing clubs and the provision by caterers of dressing accommodation with facilities for tea and refreshments. An concern for the future is now the subject of sale negotiations and is not therefore in any case available. No public bathing will be erected there or at Lai Chi Kok.

On the island it is proposed, for the same reasons, to give up the public bathing sheds at Repulse Bay and at North Point and to erect only smaller accommodation at Kennedy Town, where there is still some demand. The beach at Repulse Bay will continue to be kept clean and precautions as before will be taken for the protection of bathers.

Lighting in Waterloo Road.

Mr. Braga also asked the following regarding the lighting of Waterloo Road:—

1. Has the attention of Government been drawn to the newspaper report of a serious motor-car accident happening at Kowloon on the night of March 23 at a point in Waterloo Road close to its junction with Nathan Road, where the road is described as "extremely narrow and not particularly well lighted at night?"

2. With a view to minimising the risk of similar accidents in future, will the Government consider the advisability of improving the public lighting of roadways within the residential areas in Kowloon?

The Colonial Secretary's replies were as follows:—

1. Yes.
2. The Government considers that the residential areas of Kowloon are adequately lighted. The portion of Waterloo Road in which the accident occurred is not yet completed and, as an uncompleted road, motorists should use it with caution. The covering of the nullah is being extended eastwards as rapidly as funds permit and in due course the roadway will be opened to the full width now possessed by the section going to the east of the railway.

Other Business.

The following Bills passed their second and third readings:—
"A Bill to amend the law relating to Deportation."

"A Bill to amend further the law relating to Larceny."
"A Bill to provide for the incorporation of the Procurator in Hong Kong of the Slesian Society."

Finance Committee.

A meeting of the Finance Committee followed the Legislative Council Meeting and votes totalling \$22,000 were approved. Details of these votes were given in our yesterday's issue.

SACRED RECITAL AT ST. ANDREW'S.

Before a fairly large audience (congregation!) a very enjoyable recital of sacred songs and music from Handel's "Messiah" was given last evening at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, by Mr. Rupert Baldwin and a choir specially chosen for the occasion.

It is very rare that the people of the colony are given the opportunity of hearing local choirs in music of this description, and the organist and choirmaster, Mr. Baldwin, is to be congratulated on having gathered together a band of singers with voices blending so admirably.

Of the concerted items it is difficult to differentiate and give an opinion as to which was the most highly rendered, but perhaps the better known things "Surely He hath known our griefs" and "All we like sheep have gone astray" were the most pleasing.

All the soloists were in splendid voice and form, but especially did we like Miss Magill in her beautiful rendering of "I know that my Redeemer liveth" and Mr. Bailey in his solos.

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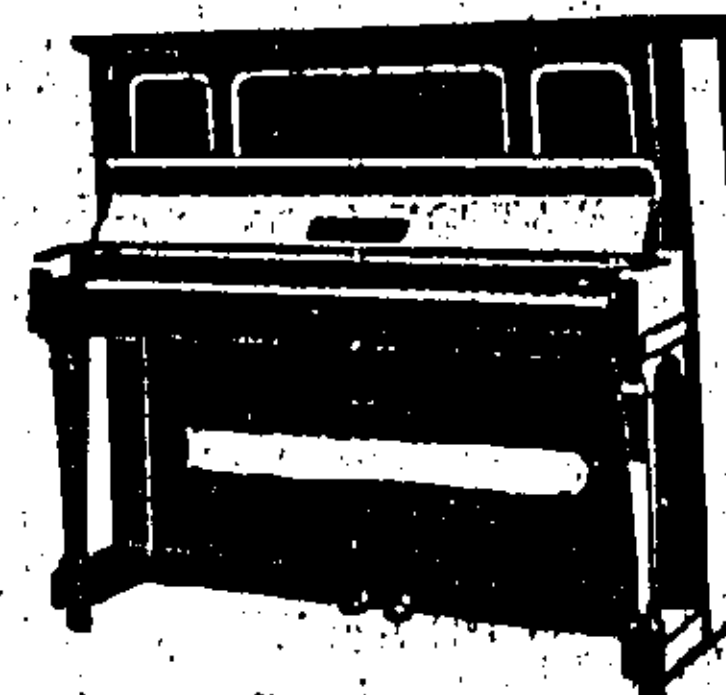
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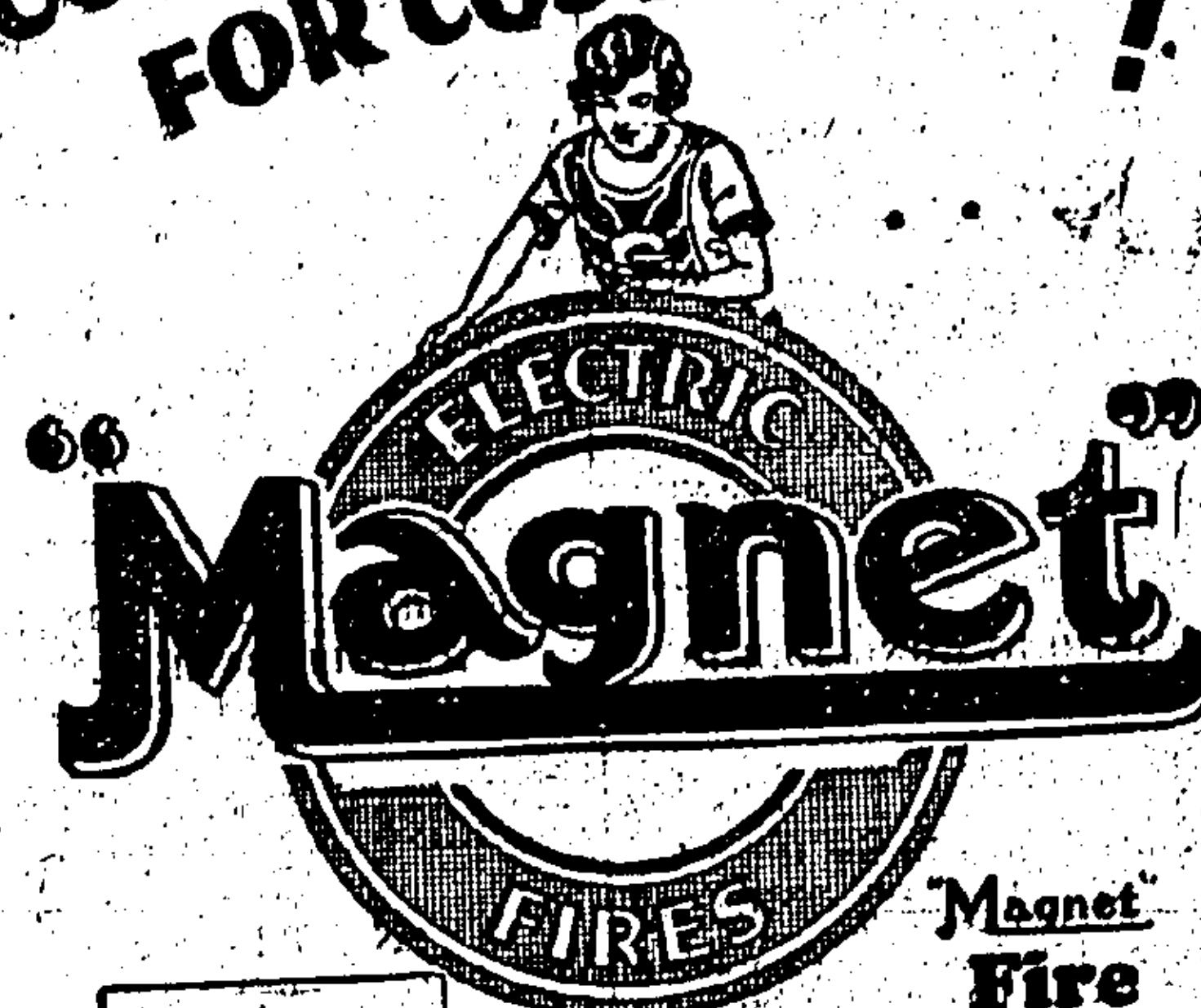
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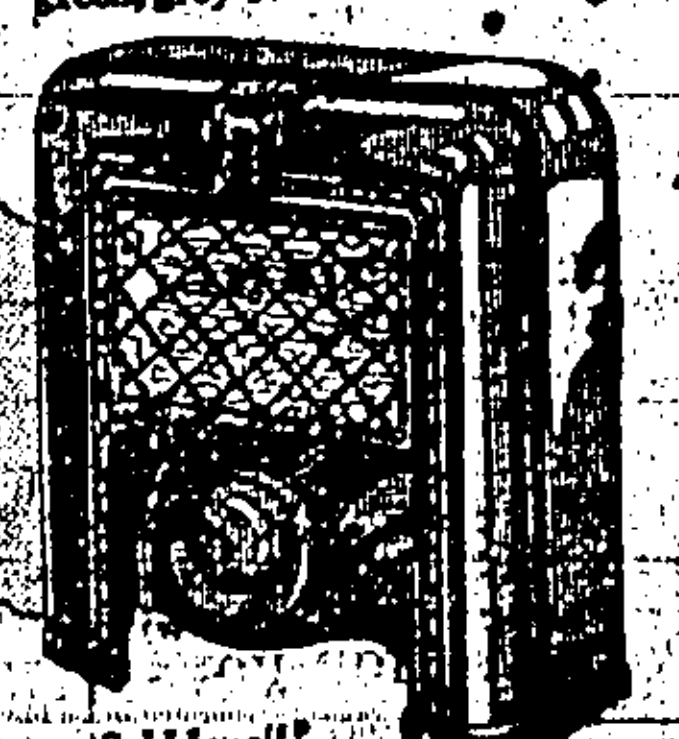
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STABLES.
Entries CLOSE at 12 O'clock NOON
on **THURSDAY, 9th APRIL, 1931.** [570]

SHEK O COUNTRY CLUB.

MEMBERS are hereby advised that
the Golf Course at the Shek O
Country Club will be closed from
TUESDAY, the 7th APRIL, until
TUESDAY, the 21st APRIL, inclusive.
J. D. A. BUTCHERSON,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd April, 1931. [571]

NOTICE.

On **FRIDAY, April 3rd,** and
FASTER MONDAY, April 6th,
ALL DEPARTMENTS will be
CLOSED.

On these days **THE HONG**
KONG DISPENSARY, DISPENS-
ING DEPARTMENT, will be open for
dispensing prescriptions from 10
A.M. to 1 P.M. and from 6 P.M. to
7.30 P.M.

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departments will be open as usual.

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Hong Kong, April 1, 1931. [564]

NOTICE.

On and after **1st April** next, the
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the following hours of business:

8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m. except
Saturdays, when both Stores will
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to **7.30 p.m.**

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Hongkong, 28th March, 1931. [558]

NOTICE.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING of Members will be
held on **WEDNESDAY, the 8th**
APRIL, 1931, at 6 o'clock instead of
8th April, 1931, as previously notified.

JAMES STEWART,
Hon. Secretary. [559]

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY
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FASTER EXTRA MEETING, 1931.

IN all Handicap Events, if the Top
Weight does not accept, all
weights will be raised 5 lbs.
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are requested to notify the Secretary
at their earliest convenience whether
they intend to accept.

By Order,
U. B. BROWN,
Secretary. [565]

HONG KONG FOOTBALL
ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

EFFECTIVE from the 1st
APRIL, 1931, the present
Office at the **FANHOE BUILDING** will
be removed to **No. 20, LOE HOUSE**
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W. E. HOLLANDS,
Hon. Secretary. [548]

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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the interest of **MR. NOEL**
VICTOR AM. E. CROUCHER in
our Firm ceased as from the **31st DAY**
of **MARCH, 1931.**

BENJAMIN & POTTS.
Dated the 1st of April, 1931. [555]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that we have **TO-DAY** admitted
MR. SHI YU MAN as a partner in
our Firm.

BENJAMIN & POTTS.
Dated the 1st of April, 1931. [556]

NOTICE.

I HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that
I have retired from the Firm of
Messrs. BENJAMIN & POTTS as
from the **31st DAY of MARCH, 1931,**
and have opened offices at Exchange
Building, where I am carrying on
business as a Stock and Share
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under the style or firm name of
"CROUCHER & CO."
N. V. A. CROUCHER.
Dated the 1st of April, 1931. [557]

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that as from **7th APRIL** next,
this Bank will occupy New Premises
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C. J. ENDERT,
Manager.
Hong Kong, 30th March, 1931. [561]

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, fore-
cast, and remarks, issued by the
Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m.,
stated:—

The anti-cyclone is central to the
east of Shanghai. Moderate mon-
soon along the S.E. Coast of China
and over the N. China Sea.

Local Forecast:—E. winds, mode-
rate, overcast; some rain and fog.

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Hong Kong, April 3, 1931.

CHINA AND GOOD FRIDAY.

Good Friday inevitably calls to
mind the deaths of that gallant
Irishman, Father Tieney, and of
the two American ladies, the wives
of missionaries, who were killed
recently in Yunnanfu. Not very
long ago two Englishwomen, engaged
in mission work in Fukien, were
captured and executed by brigands.
A year ago a Roman Catholic
bishop and a priest were murdered
in the North River district, seventy
miles from Canton, and since then
there has been a long succession of
outrages. Now as at all times Christian
missionaries in China take their lives
in their hands. Some people still
have an idea that such work com-
pares quite well with many other
careers, from a material point of
view. But life in an up-country
station involves isolation among a
vastly strange people, with a
manner of life utterly different
from that of Europe; the discom-
forts of a variable and trying
climate; the dangers of infection
from disease; and of an impairing
of health and stamina owing to a
non-European diet, in addition to
the current peril from bandits and
from mobs stirred to fury by anti-
foreign agitation.

It must be curious to Chinese
people to see the cynical hostility
with which many Europeans view
mission work in China. Mr.
RODNEY GILBERT, for instance, in-
dulges in plenty of candid criticism
at their expense, giving a picture
of prosperous little compounds,
where life is taken easily, and by
no means inadequate salaries are
supplemented by a little work, on
a commission basis, on behalf of
manufacturers who seek to capture
the Chinese market. Not all
missionaries have souls like that of
St. FRANCIS XAVIER, but if, as a
body, their interests were divided
and their enthusiasm half-hearted,

the movement would have gone
down before successive waves of
native hostility. The Taiping Re-
bellion, the Boxer Rebellion and
the early phases of the Nationalist
movement were popular uprisings
which singled out the missionaries
for special vengeance. To-day the
"Reds" have again set themselves
to exterminate Christianity in China.
But though the missions have had
temporary setbacks they have not
been driven out of China. Many
of the men and women doing this
work have died at their posts,
others have moved to places like
Hong Kong and Shanghai, where
they are waiting till it is possible
to take up their task.

In the current number of "The
Rock," the organ of the local
Roman Catholic community, it is
claimed that about 50,000 converts
were made last year. The numbers
gained by the many Protestant
missions are not available, but
though all admit that progress is
slow, at least the position is main-
tained. The schools and the
medical missions go on persistently,
though the former are subject to
intermittent interference by the
authorities. It is not unnatural
that the Chinese should be sus-
picious of foreign schools in their
midst, and the continued existence
of their establishments is a fair
indication that privileges are not
abused. But the religion of the
West spreads not only by the work
of the missionary, but also by the
enterprise of such institutions as
the Bible Society, with their amaz-
ing organisation for distributing
free copies of the New Testa-
ment throughout the land, and the
Y.M.C.A. So well regarded is the
latter that high officials in Canton
have been actively assisting the
annual drive for funds and new
members.

Contact with the West is break-
ing down the Confucian system,
and, among the intelligentsia, is
shaking the old beliefs in the
gods, beneficent and malevolent,
of Chinese mythology. But where
religion wanes superstition flourishes.
If a few philosophers can go
through life believing in nothing
that they themselves cannot see and
verify, the average man and the
average woman find that religion
is a psychological necessity. Some-
thing is bound to fill the religious
vacuum now being formed in China.
The Founder of Christianity laid
down that "the violent seize the
Kingdom," a principle which
MAHOMED was to vindicate through-
out a large part of three con-
tinents. There is to-day in the Far
East a creed which has the strength
that is drawn from violence and
fanaticism. It is opposed to all
religions, and it is regarded with
abhorrence by the majority of Chi-
nese. But virile minorities are
dangerous, and this creed, which we
call Bolshevism, has behind it the
backing of a great nation, whereas
the governments of Christian coun-
tries take a tepid interest in the
efforts of missionaries and regard
them as a liability in the diplo-
matic game.

"THAT JUST MAN."

Of all the tales that grasp our thought and hold us,
Word pictures in the "Good Book's" golden frame,
I linger at that one, so briefly told us,
The story of a woman's deathless fame.

Deathless, because earth's bounds know not its keeping,
Not by earth's changing praise is she adored,—
Heaven's Records of the sowing and the reaping
Bear witness of the way she served her Lord.

No poets sing sweet tribute to her beauty,
No saintly aureole is round her brow,
She plied no task of rugged Christian duty,
Yet boldly gleams her courage even now.

When men of old, their Christ in madness scorning,
Cried, "Crucify!" to suit their hideous plan,
One voice alone was raised in solemn warning,
The voice of one who knew Him—"That just man!"

The stately Pilate read his lady's pleading,—
So passionate and eager was her prayer
He almost felt with her the dream's strange leading,
And saw with her the vision of despair.

But yet—how could he heed her, weakly troubled?
How trust a woman's wild, capricious will?
And even as he read, the shouts were doubled,
And Christ was crucified. And all was still.

"She hath done what she could!" The only being
On earth, who strove to save that priceless life!
Think of her glory! In His love all-seeing
Think how He surely smiles on Pilate's wife!

GLADYS JACKSON.

★ News and Views ★

Occupation for "Old Dogs."

"Some years ago," writes a cor-
respondent to a London paper, "I
met an old retired General who,
on his retirement, walked the hos-
pitals, took a medical degree, and
was afterwards called to the Bar.
Probably a unique record." An-
other reader recommends migration
to suitable parts of the Empire.
Another reader, who is well over
eighty, has taken to Egyptology as
a study, and finds it absorbing and
easy to absorb.

Newgate Prison Toll Bell.

The Toll Bell of Newgate Prison,
which for 120 years gave notice to
the citizens of London that a cri-
minal was about to die, is to be
returned to England from Ameri-
ca and placed in the London
Museum, Lancaster House, St.
James's. The last execution to
take place within the walls of the
prison was on November 19, 1901.
Two years later the gao was pulled
down to make way for the pre-
sent Central Criminal Court. At
a sale of relics of the prison the
bell was bought by an American,
and it is his widow who is now
returning it to London.

Field Marshal as Head of College.

From the position of Commander-
in-Chief in India to the Mastership
of a Cambridge college is the big
"leap" to be taken by Field Mar-
shal Sir William Birdwood, who
was elected yesterday Master of
Peterhouse in succession to Lord
Chalmers, a great civil servant who
is retiring from the position.
Peterhouse is the college of Sir
William's father, and he has been
an honorary Fellow since 1920.
From Cambridge University he re-
ceived the honorary degree of
LL.D. in recognition of his ser-
vices during the war. Sir William
Birdwood became famous during
the war as the commander of the
Australian and New Zealand Army
Corps. Second to none in fighting
ability, these men required no little
tact in handling, but General Bird-
wood proved himself just the right
man for the job. He mixed much
more freely with his men in the
front line than was usual with
corps commanders, and "Birdie's"
popularity was rapidly assured.
Sir William was wounded in Gal-
lipoli and again on the western
front, but the final stages of the
war found him in command of the
Fifth Army which marched into
Lille.

Helping Mr. Snowden!

Mr. Snowden's warning that
sacrifices all round must be made
is at last to be brought right home
to M.P.s. An order has gone out
from the Office of Works that no
more matches are to be supplied
to M.P.s in the House of Com-
mons. When the present stock is
exhausted the stands on the refresh-
ment counters and on the tables in
the smoke-rooms are to be left em-
pty. About 12,000 boxes of mat-
ches are used in a Parliamentary
session. And they are not ordi-
nary matches; they are good stout
sticks two inches long and propor-
tionately thick. Ship matches are
the technical description of them.

The Humour of Baboons.

It was found necessary to close
Cape Town's zoo recently, during
reconstruction, owing to the behavi-
our of the baboons, who were housed
in temporary cages without pro-
tecting railings. One visitor, in a
brand new suit, was standing close
to the cage, watching a baboon
hanging from the top, when, with-
out any warning, it deliberately
dropped like a stone into its water-
trough and gave him a drenching.
Another baboon watched its oppor-
tunity till a smartly dressed wo-
man came too close to the cage,
reached out an arm, ripped her
dress off her back, and took it in-
side with every sign of enjoyment
of its own joke.

"Beautiful Blondes."

When Jessie Amelia Sharpe
Contes, aged 35, was sentenced to
six months' imprisonment with
hard labour at the Old Bailey for
receiving stolen property she turned
to the Press representatives and
said, "Describe me as a beautiful
blonde, won't you?" Addressing the
jury on her own behalf, she said
that she was not afraid of prison.
"It is a wonderful institution for
people who have sinned against
society," Turning to Judge Gre-
gory, she said: "I don't want you
to interrupt me, because I suffer
from my nerves, and it gets me
all of a dither." She added that
she was the sister of a Sheffield
councillor. She had been to prison
for libel, but was convicted on the
evidence of an ex-convict who had
been in prison for 15 years. She
knew the detectives from Leeds who
had given evidence against her.
"I always give them a straight
answer, because I call a spade a
spade. I am a Yorkshire woman."
When she was arrested the detec-
tives sat down for an hour and
enjoyed a "real good feed" of
boiled rabbit, wine, almonds,
raisins, apples and oranges. After-
wards they had a good laugh and
a chat. The police officers both
denied this allegation.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

To-day being Good Friday, there
will be no issue of the *Hong Kong*
Daily Press until Monday.

The total output of the Kailan
Mining Administration's mines for
the week ending March 21, amount-
ed to 116,490 tons, and the sales
during the period to 110,114 tons.

Convicted on a charge of stealing
a pair of scales from the Empress
of Asia, a Chinese with previous
convictions on his record was
sentenced to six months' hard
labour by Mr. E. W. Hamilton yes-
terday.

The total rainfall in the Colony
during the month of March amount-
ed to 4.06 inches, of which 1.21 and
1.71 inches fell on the 15th and
17th, respectively. There were
eighteen days in which no rainfall
was registered.

Captain J. Davidson, master of
the s.s. Clara Jackson, was yester-
day fined \$100 on pleading "guilty"
to having imported pigs on board
his ship, the animals not being
stowed in accordance with the re-
gulations.

Chan Pak To, alias Chan Taz
Lai, a retired Chinese officer, who
died at his residence, 6, Cheung On
Street, Kowloon Bay Reclamation,
on October 11, 1930, aged 70, left
estate valued for probate at
\$120,000. Probate of the will has
been granted to Chan Leung Sze,
of the same address.

According to a report made to the
police, a house boy, employed by
Mr. M. Gauthier, of No. 1, Hart
Avenue, Kowloon, is alleged to
have absconded with a quantity of
clothing and some blankets belong-
ing to his employer. Most of the
property was subsequently recover-
ed by the police from pawnshops.

Sentence of nine months' hard
labour and twenty strokes of the
birch was passed on each of two
Chinese who were convicted by Mr.
W. Schofield of kidnapping a Chi-
nese boy, six years of age, from
101, Third Street. The men were
arrested by the Chinese police at
Shumchun and were in due course
handed to local police when the
identity of the kidnapped boy was
established.

Looking Back 25 Years.

"Lady Huntworth's Experiment"
was presented by the Hong Kong
Amateur Dramatic Club to a good
house at the Theatre Royal last
night. The principals showed an
unmistakable improvement on their
first night's performance, notably
Lieut. Commander Lloyd Thomas as

SUMMARY OF NEWS

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Shield will be the attraction in the
local football programme to-morrow,
prospects of which are discussed on
Pages 10 and 11.

Latest Cables.

The aircraft carrier Ryujo was
launched at Yokohama yesterday.
Page 9.
Two experimental flights from
England to Australia at the ex-
pense of the British Government
are announced. Page 6.
Revised estimates of the dead
and injured in the Managua earth-
quake disaster are lower than were
at first reported. Page 6.
H.M.S. Glorious, which collided
with the French liner Florida off
Gibraltar, has arrived at Malaga
with 500 of the latter's passengers,
of whom it is feared 30 were killed.
Page 6.
The continued depression in
Japan is reflected in the foreign
trade figures for the first quar-
ter of this year, which show a reduc-
tion in both exports and imports
over the corresponding period of
last year. Page 6.
Interesting developments are ex-
pected at Luna Park on Saturday,
where the Shanghai Greyhound
Racing Association intend holding
dog races in spite of the Shanghai
Municipal Council's prohibition
order, which became operative at
the end of March. Page 9.

"What is your name, boy?"
"Haven't one." "Come, come;
what does your mother call you at
meal times?" "Her's no need;
I'm allus therear."

★ Local Notes and Events ★

Captain Dorvaston, and the audi-
ence was unstinted in their ap-
plause. Mrs. M. W. Slade met
with considerable success in the
part of the aristocratic cook; Miss
Rowe and Mr. H. W. Looker en-
hanced the good impressions which
they created on the opening night.
The artists appreciated the spirit
of the comedy and certainly im-
parted it very effectively to their
auditors.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*,
April 3, 1930.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Whatever opinions men may hold
as to the injurious effects of opium-
smoking, and whatever may be
thought of the past history of the
Indian opium trade, it is now (says
the *Friend of India*) evident
enough to practical men that the
time has gone by for any useful
apostrophe against the carrying on
of that trade in future. It is cer-
tain now that the Chinese would
not want opium in abundance, even
though not another ounce were
allowed to leave the shores of India.
The drug is now largely produced
in China, and the industry seems
to be steadily increasing. Persia
is rapidly extending the cultiva-
tion and trade; and as both the
Persian and the Chinese drug are
much cheaper than the Indian, the
danger of the future seems really
to be that the Indian drug may be
driven out of the field. The prac-
tical question for India is not
whether we may rightly continue
to send opium to China, but how
we can adjust our revenue and ex-
penditure so that we may not be
made bankrupt by a falling off in
the opium revenue, which, if not
certain, is very far from being im-
probable.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*,
April 3, 1931.

CHINA'S "GREATER PART."

NANKING NOT YET IN CONTROL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1. In the House of Commons in reply to questions Mr. Henderson, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that there was no material change in conditions in China since his statement on the 9th inst.

Mr. Godfrey Locker Lampson asked if the Nanking Government now controlled the greater part of China and Mr. Henderson replied: "No, I am afraid it does not."

LADY MISSIONARY'S ESTATE.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. Miss Lilias Catharine Graham, formerly of the English Presbyterian Mission at Chingchow, who died in England recently, left estate valued at £101,000.

CIVIL STRIFE IN SZECHUAN.

ALARMING RECRUDESCENCE OF TROUBLE.

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

CHUNGKING, April 2. Civil strife in Szechuan is again assuming alarming dimensions. The fact that the rebels, including Tang Sik Kue and Tan Chung Yao, are still incorrigible and working actively against Nanking has compelled the pro-Nanking faction to make great efforts to suppress them.

Acting under the orders of the Nanking Government, General Liu Wen Fei has issued a punitive order and is launching a general offensive in three directions.

The war zone is confined to the central part of the province, and heavy fighting is reported to have occurred at a point some distance to the north of Chungking.

JAPAN'S FOREIGN TRADE RETURNS.

REDUCTION IN ADVERSE BALANCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 2. The continued depression in Japan is reflected in the foreign trade figures for the first quarter of the year.

Exports were Yen 203,000,000, compared with Yen 400,000,000 last year, and imports Yen 330,000,000, compared with last year's figures, Yen 325,000,000.

The only comfort to be derived from the above is the reduction in the adverse trade balance, which is Yen 37,000,000, compared with last year's figures, Yen 124,000,000.

SINO-SOVIET CONFERENCE.

CHINESE CHIEF DELEGATE OPTIMISTIC.

(Chun Wan Yat Pao.)

NANKING, April 2. Moh Teh Hui, the Chinese chief delegate to the Sino-Soviet Conference, has wired to the Nanking Government stating that since his arrival at Moscow, he has held preliminary discussions with the Russian diplomatic authorities and a decision has been taken that the plenary session be resumed on April 6.

Moh Teh Hui is quite optimistic regarding the future of the Conference as a result of his interviews with the Soviet Government leaders.

WARFARE ON TIBETAN BORDER.

FURTHER ACTIVITY REPORTED.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

NANKING, April 2. Further information has reached Nanking that armed Tibetan tribes are again active on the Sikkim border and have made repeated invasions of Sikkim.

General Liu Wen Fei, the head of the Szechuan Provincial Government, requested the Nanking Government, in his recent telegraphic message, to order the Dalai Lama to stop the trouble.

BRITISH WARSHIP IN COLLISION.

H.M.S. GLORIOUS DAMAGES FRENCH LINER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1. H.M.S. aircraft carrier Glorious collided with and severely damaged the French 9,000-ton liner Florida off Gibraltar.

All the Florida's passengers were safely transferred to the Glorious, which is towing the Florida.

Several of the latter's crew were left aboard dead.

Cruisers and destroyers are standing by.

Collision in Dense Fog.

LATER.

H.M.S. Glorious collided with the Florida in dense fog at 8 p.m. The Florida was holed on her port side in the fore part.

H.M.S. Glorious has taken 500 passengers off the Florida aboard and is now towing the Florida stern first to Malaga.

Aircraft Land at Malaga.

Seventeen aircraft attached to the Glorious, which were flying at the time of the collision and were unable to return to her, have arrived safely at Malaga aerodrome, where the Spanish authorities gave them permission to land.

Fourth Warship Collision in Four Weeks.

H.M.S. Glorious' collision is the fourth warship collision within about a month.

The battleship Nelson collided with the Cardiff steamer West Wales in a fog on Sunday off Cape Vilano, Spain, the Nelson being slightly damaged.

The Walrus and Whitley were damaged at Gibraltar during Fleet exercises in March, and the Shamrock and Tourmaline collided in picking up their moorings at Gibraltar.

Twenty-three Emigrant Passengers Missing.

LONDON, April 2. The Admiralty have received a message from H.M.S. Glorious reporting that 23 emigrant passengers who were on board the Florida are missing, and that one Syrian is dead on board the Glorious.

H.M.S. Glorious Arrives at Malaga.

MALAGA, April 2. The aircraft carrier Glorious arrived at 6 o'clock bearing 600 passengers from the Florida.

It is now feared that about 30 passengers from the Florida were killed, including 11 Italians and one Spaniard.

The other victims presumably are French and Portuguese.

No British were killed.

Florida Beached Badly Damaged.

LATER. One of the crew of the Glorious is reported to have been killed in the collision with the Florida.

The Florida has been beached here and is badly damaged.

H.M.S. Queen Elizabeth and Chatham are joining the Glorious, which will be examined by divers.

The damage to the Glorious is not believed to be great.

The report that some of the Glorious' aeroplanes are missing is categorically denied.

Conflicting Report.

MARSEILLE, April 2. Contrary to previous reports the owners of the Florida state that nobody was killed or injured in the collision.

The Florida was towed in to Malaga.

The damage to the Florida is not so serious as was at first thought.

STR. DORSETSHIRE SINKS KETCH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1. The steamer Dorsetshire collided and sank a ketch in Plymouth Sound.

BRITISH STEAMER STRIKES REEF.

MALABAR MAY BECOME A TOTAL LOSS. [THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SYDNEY, April 2. The 4,500-ton London steamer Malabar, from Melbourne to Singapore, struck a reef during a fog this morning near Port Jackson.

Twenty-seven passengers and the crew managed to reach the shore, and it is expected that the Malabar will founder and become a total loss.

DOG RACING AT SHANGHAI.

ASSOCIATION DEFYING S.M.C. CLOSURE ORDER.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, April 2. Interesting developments are expected on Saturday night at Luna Park, where the Greyhound Racing Association intends to hold dog races, notwithstanding the Municipal Council's prohibitory decree, which was to take effect at the end of March.

The Council has just dispatched a letter to the Association declining to consider their offer to negotiate on the basis of compensation, and adhering to its original attitude of unconditional closure.

There are persistent rumours that the Council intends barricading the roads giving access to Luna Park and withdrawing police protection. Chinese attending the meeting will probably be arrested.

The atmosphere is tense, and extraordinary public interest is being manifested.

LOW-PRICED RUBBER FOR ROADS.

RECOMMENDATION TO THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1. In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Graham White asked the Minister of Transport, in view of the low price of rubber, to recommend that roadways near urban hospitals should be covered with a rubber surface.

Mr. Herbert Morrison replied that the cost of rubber paving-blocks was still relatively high.

He expressed the opinion that the local authorities were the best judges in the matter.

New Low Rubber Record.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. Rubber fell to-day to 31d. a pound on the London Exchange. This is a low record.

The average price last year was 5.5/16d. per pound, and for 1929 it was 10d.

Excessive stocks, the absence of sufficient demand, and continued depression in New York are the principal causes of the further fall. To-day's drop was 1d.

EMPIRE TEA PRODUCTION.

PRINCIPLE OF PREFERENCE DUTY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1. The British Empire Tea Producers' Organisation has written to the Chancellor of the Exchequer requesting the maintenance of the principle of Empire preference "in any reimposition of the tea duty," saying that the removal of preference would give a strong impetus to the movement already threatening the position of Empire tea in the United Kingdom market, namely, the development of tea production in the Dutch East Indies and the consequent increase of their proportional import to Britain.

CONSERVATIVE PARTY ORGANISATION.

MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN RESIGNS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. The retirement was announced tonight of Mr. Neville Chamberlain from the Chairmanship of the Conservative Party Organisation.

Mr. Chamberlain took over this post last June to effect measures of reorganisation, which he has completed.

Lord Stonehaven, formerly Governor-General of Australia, has consented to undertake the Chairmanship of the Party.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain has held several ministerial posts under Mr. Baldwin, these including Minister of Health, Chancellor of the Exchequer, Postmaster General, Paymaster General, and Director General of National Service. Aged 60 years, he is a brother of Sir Austin Chamberlain. He has been closely associated with the civil life of Birmingham, becoming a member of the City Council in 1911 and being Lord Mayor in 1915 and again in 1916.

Lord Stonehaven, the Chairman of the Party, was Governor-General of Australia from 1925 until last year. Aged 55, he is a son of Sir Alex. Baird and was formerly in the diplomatic service. He entered Parliament in 1910 as member for Rugby and acted as private secretary to the late Mr. Bonar Law. For a time he was Under-Secretary to the Home Office and from 1922 to 1924 was First Commissioner of Works.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN FLIGHTS.

SUBSIDISED BY BRITISH GOVERNMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 2. Two experimental air flights in each direction between England and Australia were announced by Mr. Montague in the House of Commons.

The first is from London on April 4, due at Port Darwin on April 10.

The second is from London on April 25, due at Port Darwin on May 10.

The Imperial Airways are endeavouring to provide an onward connection to Queensland and New South Wales towns.

The establishment of a regular mail service will depend whether the Government concerned will financially assist.

The Treasury will subsidise these two flights.

SOLO FLIGHT TO AUSTRALIA.

ATTEMPT TO LOWER RECORD.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. Mr. Anderson Scott, who left England to-day on a solo flight to Australia and hopes to beat Kingsford-Smith's remarkable ten-days' record, is using a 120 h.p. Gipsy Moth fitted with extra tanks.

He was previously in the Royal Air Force, and is taking the following route: Sofia, Aleppo, Bushire, Karachi, Rangoon, Singapore, Boma and Port Darwin.

ENGLAND-SOUTH AFRICA FLIGHT.

ARRIVAL AT CAIRO IN RECORD TIME.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. Commander Glen Kidston, the millionaire sportsman, who left England yesterday on a record-breaking flight to South Africa, is already in Cairo.

His first hop took him to Naples, after a brief rest he flew to Malta, arriving there this morning, and then he hopped off for Cairo, arriving there this evening, having broken all records for the journey.

Commander Glen Kidston is accompanied on his flight by Lieut. Cathart Jones and a wireless operator named Johnson. His next stop is Nairobi, then Broken Hill and then Capetown, which he is likely to reach in well under the six days he has set himself if he maintains his present rate of progress.

It is the promoter's desire to demonstrate that the air mail service between England and South Africa can be speeded up immensely.

PRIME MINISTER FLIES TO SCOTLAND.

GOES NORTH FOR EASTER HOLIDAYS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, to-day flew from London to Lossiemouth, North Scotland, where he is spending Easter, in an Air Force machine piloted by Flight Lieutenant Heslop.

JAPANESE AIRCRAFT CARRIER LAUNCHED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 2. The aircraft carrier Ryujō was successfully launched to-day in the presence of a large gathering of notable personages.

FRANCE'S BUDGET.

PARLIAMENT ADJOURNS FOR EASTER RECESS.

[AGENCE HAVAS.]

PARIS, April 1. The Budget for 1931-32 has been definitely adopted, providing for an expenditure totalling Frs. 50,643,093,395, and estimated revenue of Frs. 50,040,600,352.

The Government is therefore budgeting for a deficit of approximately Frs. 2,600,000.

The session was afterwards closed for the Easter Recess and will reopen on May 5.

MANAGUA 'QUAKE HORRORS.

INJURED INHABITANTS PINNED UNDER DEBRIS.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. Unofficial estimates of the casualties from yesterday's earthquake, which caused the total destruction of Managua, the Nicaraguan capital, place the deaths at over 1,000 and injured at 3,000.

The damage was apparently localised to Managua, where the fire caused by burst gas mains added to the terrifying situation.

Fire is still raging this afternoon.

Official information received in London from the British Consul in Managua stated that fire is threatening the British Legation, but it is believed that there are no casualties among the British Colony.

Assistance is being rushed to the district by aeroplanes and ships.

REVISIT Estimates of Casualties and Damage.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MANAGUA, April 2. The revised estimates of the loss of life and destruction of property show lower figures than previously.

The United States Marine Corps estimate the victims at 1,000 dead and 1,000 injured, many seriously.

President Moncada places the material losses at \$3,000,000.

Thirty thousand refugees are encamped outside the city, some scantily attired in bedclothes.

Compulsory vaccination is being enforced in view of the bad hygienic conditions due to the prolonged exposure of the corpses and a breakdown in the sanitary arrangements.

The American Minister, Mr. Hanna, has taken charge of the situation.

CARRIBBEAN CROWN COLONY FEDERATION.

COMMISSION TO BE APPOINTED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. In a despatch to the Governors of Trinidad, Windward Islands, and Leeward Islands, Lord Passfield, Secretary for the Colonies, states that he has been carefully considering the question of some form of closer union between those islands and the many issues which such an administrative change would involve.

He proposes that a Commission, probably consisting of two or three persons, with very broad terms of reference, should proceed as soon as possible to the Colonies concerned to conduct a comprehensive enquiry into the whole question.

Before coming to any decision as to the appointment of the Commission, Lord Passfield has asked the Governors whether they concur in principle to the proposal, and to submit their views at an early date.

Lord Passfield's despatch, which reviews the whole subject of Federation in the Caribbean area, expresses the view that, at least at present, the proposed inquiry could not usefully be extended to other Colonies.

IRISH HOSPITAL SWEEP.

DISPUTE OVER FIRST PRIZE TICKET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1. Something of a situation has been caused by the development of a dispute regarding the ownership of the ticket for first prize in the Irish Hospitals Sweep on the Grand National, which nets the owner over £30,000.

Mr. Justice Meredith, sitting in the Dublin High Court to-day, granted an application for an injunction restraining the Irish Hospital Trust from paying the prize-money in the Sweep to Emilio Scala, the Italian owner of a coffee-shop at Buttice, who is the holder of the ticket which drew Grakle, the winner of the Grand National Sweepstake.

The application in Court to-day was made by two Italians, who claimed that the winning ticket belonged to a pool.

COLONIAL OFFICE APPOINTMENTS.

SIR JOHN RISLEY RETIRES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1. Following the retirement from the public service of Sir John Risley, Mr. H. G. Bush has been appointed Legal Adviser to the Dominions and Colonial Offices and Mr. H. Duncan Assistant Legal Adviser to both departments.

WATER SPEED RECORD.

ATTEMPT BY KAYE DON AT BUENOS AIRES.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

BUENOS AIRES, April 1. The repairs to the racing motorboat, Miss England II, have been completed.

In spite of the swollen state of the Parana River, Kaye Don has announced that he intends to make a speed test of the boat at eight o'clock to-morrow morning.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, April 1.	
Paris	124.17
New York	4.85
Brussels	34.84
Geneva	25.25
Amsterdam	12.12
Milan	92.77
Berlin	20.4
Stockholm	18.15
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.10
Vienna	34.64
Prague	164
Helsingfors	103
Madrid	44.4
Lisbon	102.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	617
Rio	3.11/10
Buenos Aires	30 3/32
Montevideo	33
Bombay	1/5 27/32
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Hong Kong	11 1/2
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CRICKET TEAMS AND PLAYERS.

NEARING THE END OF THE SEASON.

R. ABBIT'S WEEKLY REVIEW.

We definitely are getting near the end of the season now and at most three more Saturdays will see its finish. Kowloon have only one more match, which they are playing against the Civil Service tomorrow week. The University have yet to play the C.S. and at the time of writing I am not sure of the date. I have a horrible idea though that it may be on to-morrow. I hope to add a note on this later. I believe that Craigengower have been given the points by the Navy. If so, they have to date played six last Saturday's game was a League match—lost five and won one. Their last match is against the I.R.C. and if they stage a come back it is just possible that the C.S. might get up and tie! But there are a good many "ifs" and "buts" and I had better leave it to the Club. The Club have yet to play the Gunners, and are at the end of their arranged programme though I see the I.R.C. card shows a game against the Club for 11th April. This has been scratched.

An Exciting Finish.

Craigengower really have had appalling luck this year and one is tempted to think they must have all walked under ladders, or broken their looking glasses. On Saturday they lost their last wicket to the last ball of the last over, to lose by ten runs. (I see that if the score sheet is correct there was a ball to go in Divett's over, but I quote one of the players.) As a matter of fact they looked like winning comfortably before the third wicket fell as they had over a hundred and twenty on the board, and only needed about twenty more in just over half an hour. But the wicket fell and then there came a collapse. After Lee had been bowled in the first over by Owen Hughes, Lin, E. Zimmer and Omar collected from the bat a hundred and nineteen runs between them. But the remainder crashed horribly before Reid and Divett. They would probably have pulled it off with Hamson there—who, with Gittens, was not able to play.

Omb's Weak Side.

It must, however, be remembered that the Club also had a very weak side. Pearce, Bowker, Beck, Moore and E. J. R. Mitchell were notable absentees. Duckitt started brightly with three fours in the first over, and he hit a beautiful square cut behind point which sent the ball to the boundary like a flash. Later he slowed up and Owen Hughes was the only man to score rapidly. He just reached his half-century. I am told that the Craigengower fielding was excellent, but a shade too keen—a position which I have previously suggested. The Club were not too brilliant! No one did anything exceptional in the bowling line.

University Draw.

I find it very hard to understand the K.C.C. and University match, which I admit I was not privileged to witness. I could not understand, on looking at the score, how the "Varsity" had failed to win. They ended up forty-three short of it. But when two batsmen have put on over a hundred runs for the second wicket, especially against a weak bowling side like Kowloon, they ought to be able to speed up a lot. After all at the end of a day, with a failing light to put the

fieldmen off, and good screens against which to see the bowling, it is not in any way impossible for two well-set batsmen to get an extra forty in fifteen minutes. I do not blame the University for failing to win. But as they failed to win I blame Anderson and Reid for being not out. They did, as I learn from a player, appear exactly as if they had no intention of getting out. Now a draw was no good to the "Varsity. They lost nothing by a lost match. Their one hope was to win; and they do not seem to have gone out for it. With nine wickets in hand, and no hope in the League unless they won, they should have gone all out.

Brace Again.

As usual Bruce was the mainstay of his side, and played very nice cricket for his seventy-five. Lawrence, Hung, and Ernie Fincher all rendered stout assistance, while Frank Goodwin gave a pleasant one-reel performance, in which he hit a big six. Anderson got five wickets, but they cost fifteen runs apiece. The fielding on both sides was good. Apart from the exigencies of the situation both Anderson and Reid played excellent knocks. What would have happened, however, if the former had been taken at the wicket off the third ball of his first over, from Goodwin, is another matter. It was a bit unusual to see Teddie Fincher down as number eleven, but he has had a terrible patch, and Lyle was well advised to send in his fast scoring batsman early. By the way, I am very sorry to hear that the K.C.C. skipper has damaged his bowling arm and has to stick to slow. I know many more brilliant performers but not a single one who has more enthusiasm for the game, and is keen to play as much cricket as he can get. Kowloon owe him a great debt of gratitude for the tremendously keen spirit in which he tackled his job.

Forthcoming Games.

In view of the fact that there are several League matches coming in the future, and that under Rule Thirteen the League season ends on the first Saturday in April. I hope the parties concerned have remembered to obtain the necessary permission from the League Committee to extend the period. *Perb. Sep.* One interesting game, though not a League, is a two-day fixture, inter-Club, which has been arranged by the K.C.C. for to-morrow and Sunday. I understand that it is a farewell to that very excellent cricketer Bill Bruce. We all wish him the best of good fortune in his future cricket.

One League Match.

The Civil Service I now learn definitely are playing the University at Happy Valley to-morrow. Their team is the same as that which defeated the Gunners with the exception that Ling comes in for Griffiths, if as I understand the latter is playing Ruggers. So far as I know there are no other games on.

Review.

I hope to publish a brief recapitulation of the League dealing with each Club in turn and shall be glad to have any information, facts or figures, the Club Secretaries may care to forward to me, *c/o the Daily Press.* R. ABBIT.

H.K.C.C. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

BRITISH PAIR ENTERS SEMI-FINAL.

SPARKLING NET DISPLAY.

A. L. Sullivan and L. Goldman, the outstanding British pair of the season, upheld the reputation of their nationals yesterday when in the fourth round of the Open Doubles Championship of the Colony they beat T. Honda and T. Akiyama in convincing style by 6-2, 6-2.

In the opening stages of the match, the Japanese established a commanding lead of 4-1, mainly by forceful individual performances. Goldman seemed a trifle weak, probably due to his recent illness, letting Sullivan down badly. The British pair, however, endeavoured to force the pace gaining the net position often, but following up after sending over weak shots only gave the Japanese opportunities to beat them by individual driving. Sullivan showed up well at this stage, driving and volleying with plenty of sting behind his shots and was responsible for many good saves after their early reverses. The British pair made a spectacular pull up, and by good combination drew level at 4-4. Even play followed, with the Japanese still holding out strongly, and at

5-4 in their favour they had few set-points, which they failed to convert, Sullivan upsetting them by clever and tricky service. From 5-4 the struggle for the first set became exciting, until at 7-4, the British pair asserted themselves and by good overhead work, seized the next two games for the set. Encouraged by their success, the winners played aggressively, forcing the Japanese on the defensive. The latter, under attack, lost their individual enterprise displayed in the first set, and resorted to lobbing. Then it became a question of whether the British pair could smash accurately or not, and as they improved both at over head work and volleying as the match progressed they gradually broke their opponents' game up and won the second set comfortably at 6-2.

In the same event, the Fincher brothers beat Ng Kam Chuen and Tai in the replay in straight sets, and not meet the Rungjahn cousins on Tuesday next.

The Tournament resumes on Tuesday, April 7.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Open Doubles.

A. L. Sullivan and G. Goldman beat T. Honda and T. Akiyama, 6-2, 6-2.
E. C. Fincher and E. F. Fincher beat Ng Kam Chuen and Tai, 6-1, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "A."

R. H. Wild (rec. 3/6) beat M. H. F. Waring (scr.), 6-2, 6-1.
(Continued at foot of next column.)

SHIELD FOOTBALL.

FINALS TO BE DECIDED TO-MORROW.

SOUTH CHINA AND NAVY TO WIN?

On the Club ground to-morrow, the finals of the Senior and Junior Challenge Shields will be decided, and in addition a number of League matches have been included in the programme for the afternoon. Among the latter is the return game between Kowloon seniors and Chinese Athletic. The fixtures are as under:—

Senior Shield Final.

South China v. S. W. Borderers, 11 K.F.C. ground, 4.30 p.m. Referee: Mr. Allen, R.N.

Junior Shield Final.

Navy v. H.K.F.C. Club ground, 2.30 p.m. Referee: Sgt. Caswell.

League Division I.

Athletic v. Kowloon, Stadium, 4.30 p.m. Referee: Ldg. Sign. Archer.

R.A. v. Police, Chatham Road, 4.30 p.m. Referee: P.O. Kirby.

Recreio v. Argyls, King's Park, 4.30 p.m. Referee: Art. Edr. Brown.

Division II.

St. Joseph's v. Eastern, St. Joseph's ground, 3 p.m. Referee: Cpl. Holland, R.M.

University v. Argyls, Athletic ground, H.V., 3 p.m. Referee: A.B. Lait.

Division III.

Fukien v. R.E., St. Joseph's ground, 4.30 p.m. Referee: A.B. Godsell.

Shield Prospects.

The South Wales Borderers, as the successors of the Somerset, did not have an opportunity of meeting South China on the football field, and the first meeting of these teams in the Senior Shield final will attract considerable interest among their respective supporters. A record gate may be expected at this important match when the trophy will be presented to the winning team.

South China reached the final stage by defeating the Navy and Kowloon, in both of which no goals were scored against them. Incidentally the two Army teams, Argyls and the Royal Artillery, were the victims of the Borderers. The Chinese team will have the majority of the spectators on their side and popular fancy is that they will carry the trophy for the first time.

The Navy and the Club meet in the Junior Shield final. Both these teams won their semi-final ties as they pleased, but the present meeting will decide which is the better team. Possessing a strong forward line, which has established a high goal average in League matches, the Navy attack will give the Club defence much to worry about. The Navy also have a reliable defence, with Shirr as a good leader in the Centre-forward position. Provided all their "boats" are in, the Navy crew should not have much difficulty in receiving the trophy at the close of play.

Full time will be played in both Shield matches and extra time will be called if necessary.

League Matches.

In the Senior League, Kowloon, who defeated the Athletic by three goals to one at home, are due to play the return match at North Point. South China met the same fate in their encounter across the harbour, and Kowloon's recent defeat in the Shield tie points to the Chinese methods of play being ineffective on a small ground. The result of the present match, which is fancied in favour of the Athletic, will perhaps prove that the Chinese carry their short passing tactics to success in larger surroundings.

Recreio were successful in taking the points from the Borderers last week, but it is doubtful whether they will prevent the points going over to the Argyls to-morrow. After the ragged exhibition of the R.A. team in the Shield tie, the Police should win at Chatham Road.

The South Wales Borderers having finished at the top of the Second Division, the two games during the afternoon do not hold much interest. There is a chance of the Argyls restoring the runners-up position with the Navy, and the soldiers may be expected to return with the points from the University.

H. Owen Hughes (owe 3/6) beat D. B. Evans (owe 5/2), 19-10, 6-3.
L. Forster (owe 15/2) beat Lt. Co. Robinson (owe 2/0), 6-2, 6-4.

Handicap Singles "B."

P. V. Jensen (rec. 5/6) beat J. D. Ainger (rec. 4/6), 6-1, 6-4.
H. Keyserling (owe 4/6) beat R. M. Wood (scr.), 5-7, 10-8, 6-3.

Handicap Doubles.

Stabb and Ellans (rec. 3/6) received walk-over from Robinson and De Landa (owe 4/6) when the score reached 0-4, 2-6 and 3-4 in the final set.

GOLF NOTES.

[By GUM.]

Fortunately it is possible to give this week some more information concerning the activities of the "M.G.M." i.e., Montevidéon Golf Mporium—not to be confused with the film corporation of the same initials of the North American Continent which latter is just a piking little outfit compared with the hustle and bustle on the left-hand bank (coming down) of the estuary of the Rio de la Plata. With this golfing gadget arrayed, out any desire to bore with tedious details of origin and growth, it might be mentioned en passant that the founder was a Señor Batti who, having been washed ashore on a dark and dirty November night from a galleon many years ago, commenced with a small workshop in the cockpit of an onion and castanet factory. Ideas followed ideas, premises were moved and then moved again and, to-day, the area covered by the buildings and outhouses is many pulgadas square (1 pulgada = 12 lines). Above the main door of the quarter given over to offices is the House flag bearing the House motto—"Totus in uno"—freely translated as "a hole in one."

One of their newest little inventions is a contrivance which "enables" a player to keep his or her head down and the simplicity of the idea makes one wonder why it has not been thought of a long time ago. The contrivance consists of an ordinary bone back-collar stud with a hole drilled through the centre into which is inserted a thin rubber tube of some two yards in length finishing at the other end in a bulb-tube and bulb very similar to that found on a camera. Inside the tube is a thin steel wire sharpened to a fine needle-point at the stud end which will protrude on compressing the bulb. The bulb is held in the left hand, together with the golf-club, being automatically compressed by the natural grip. The player sets him or herself for a shot, compresses the bulb and the needle-point does the rest. Simple!

Owing to the congestion at Fanling it has been found necessary to institute a close season for Subscribers during the popular months and, paradoxical with the usual game-laws, if they are seen on the links out of season, they stand to get shot at. However, the barriers will be down on the 1st May when it is hoped that Subscribers will flock to the courses in their herds so as to make up for the falling off of revenue from the ordinary members who find the summer months too hot for playing. As the mother said to her son about to go to the pillar box on a stormy night—"it is not a fit night for a dog to be out, let your father post it."

In last week's Notes the afternoon repeat at Fanling on "Ladies' Day" was referred to as "a pot of tea and two boiled eggs." This was hardly correct as it now transpires that the tables were spread with all sorts of tantalising delicacies—in fact everything was there which makes each button and tape do its full duty. The organisers must have gauged appetites to a nicety as it is understood that all that was returned to the town confectioners next morning was one Madeira cake and half an éclair—the latter with the cream extracted.

The entries for the "Visitors" Cup, to be played at Fanling on Sunday, are many and the event is a very open one indeed. On account of the top-dressing on the greens and of the general bumpiness of the fairways sparkling scores are improbable and contestants should not destroy their cards in disgust unless, like ghosts at the cockerow, hope has really vanished into thin air.

First Player.—No gentleman would have asked me to have putted that one.

Second Player.—Maybe—but no golfer would have missed it.

which may lead one to ask when a putt should be conceded and when not. Circumstances alter cases but the safest maxim to follow is to retain a man's friendship by always conceding to him those little ones which you know he invariably misses—to retain a woman's friendship it is better not to play golf with her at all.

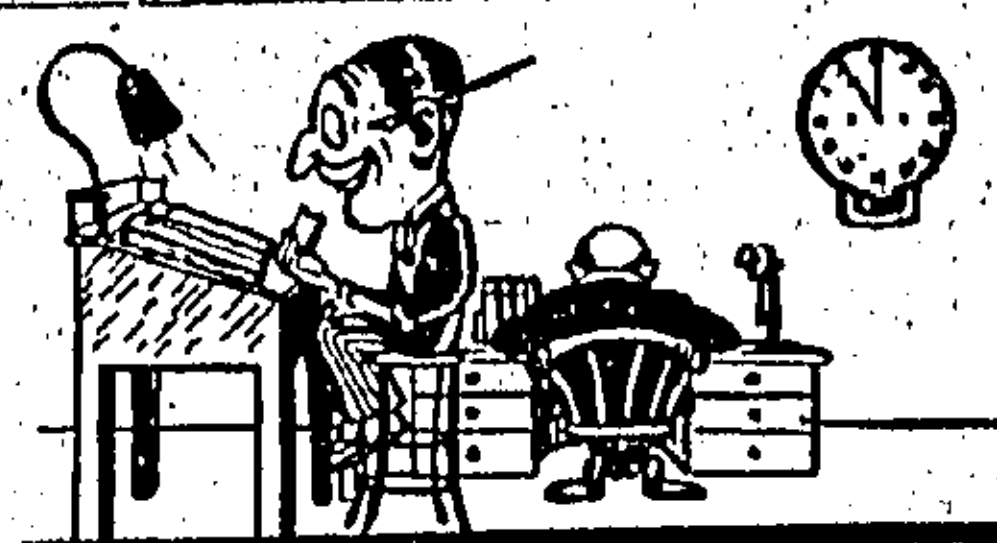
The play-off of the Junior Championship at the Kowloon links was in sight with the knitting of Andy Brown's appendicitis wound but a further postponement has now been necessitated owing to the same member having most unfortunately sustained an injury whilst indulging in his favourite pastime of hop-scotch on the Castle Peak beach. This week he is to be seen hobbling around on crutches with the right foot stuck up in front as if balancing an imaginary egg on the big toe—and its no laughing matter either! A very old bath-room slipper, a black silk sock and a bandage are all that the injured foot can bear.

Old gentlemen.—How many is that, boys—15 or 16?
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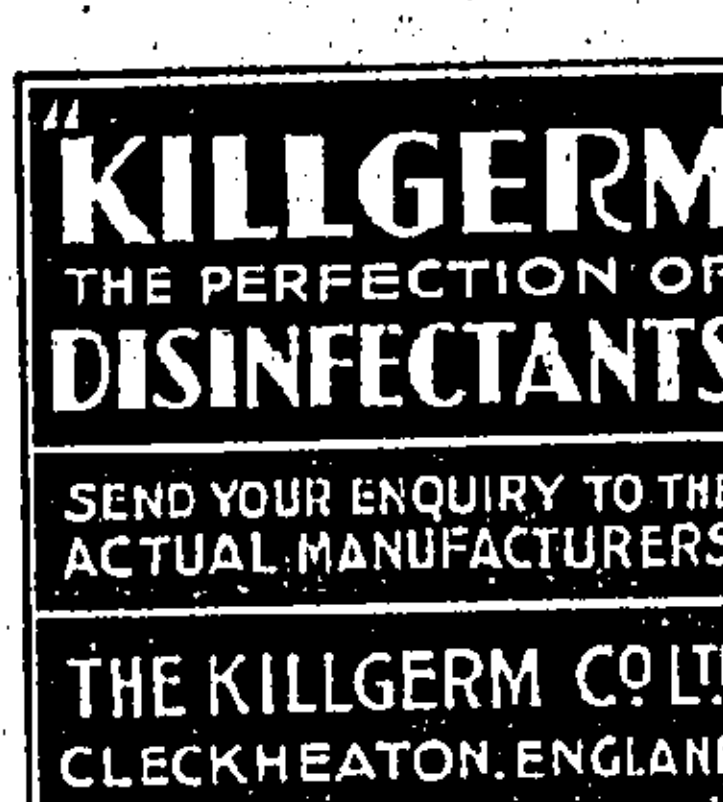
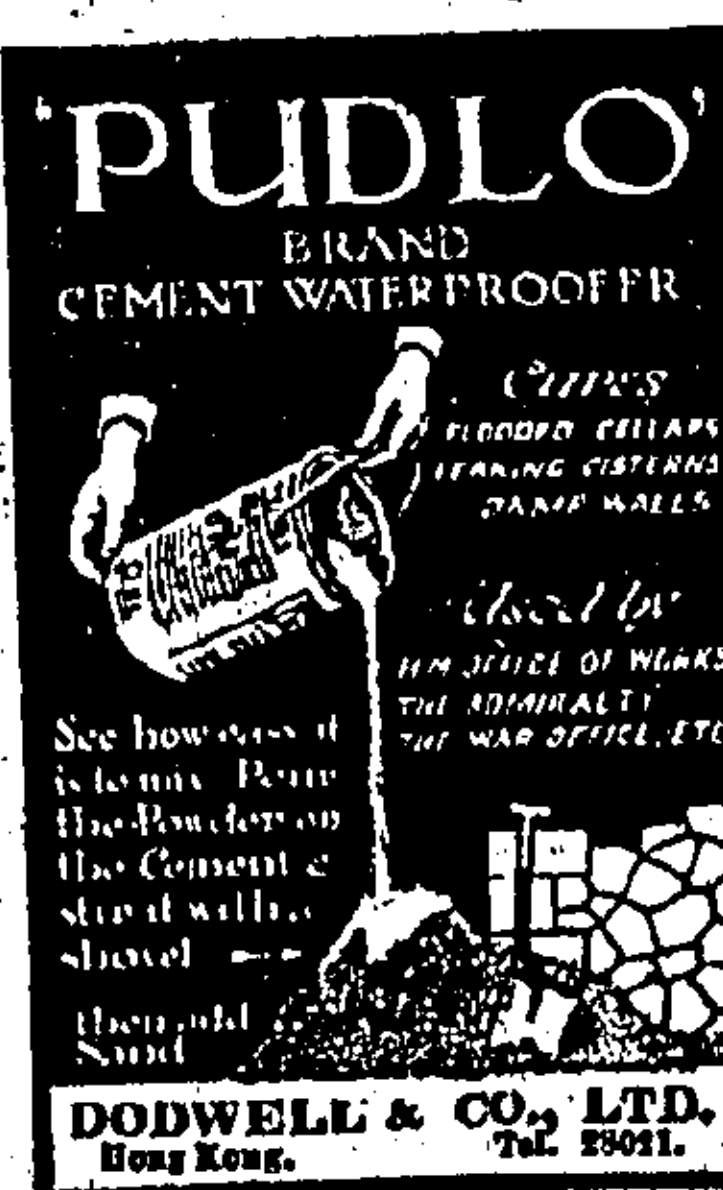


A "peck" between meals

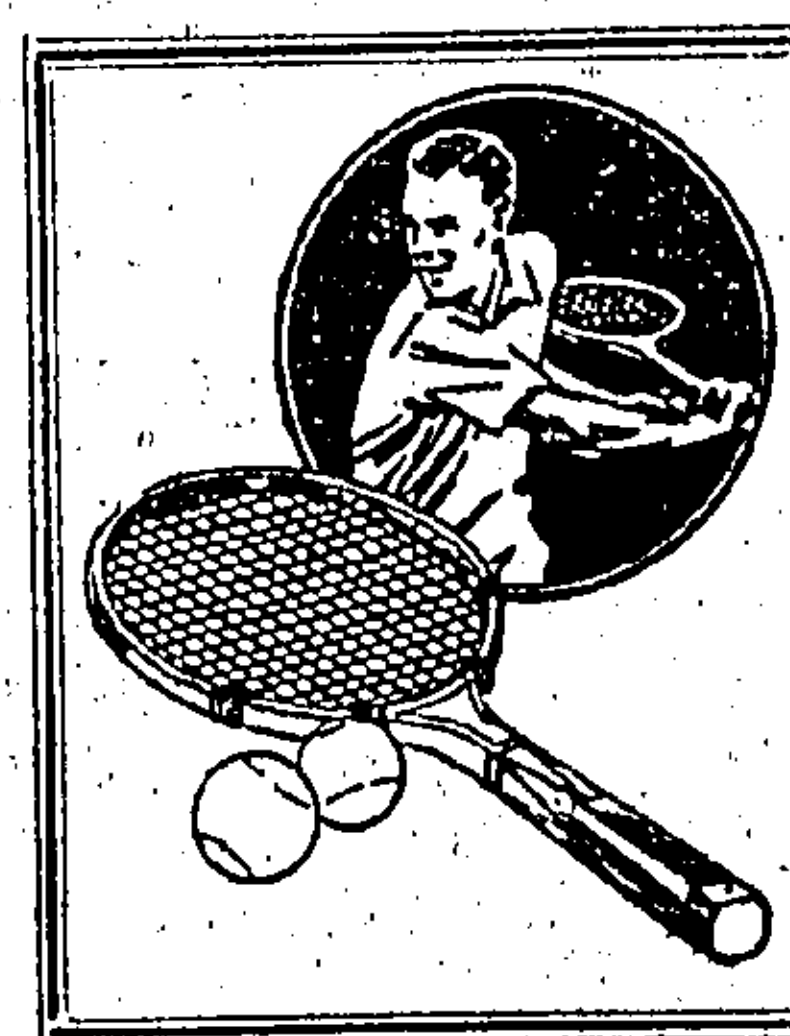
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There will be an Interval for Tiffin after the 2nd Race on Both Days.

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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 28th, 1931. [538]

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By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
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Hong Kong, 1st April, 1931. [562]

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FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES DURING HOLIDAYS.

TO-DAY.

9.20 a.m. A. B. Stewart and D. L. Newbiggin.

9.24 " A. D. Coppin and G. H. Horridge.

9.28 " Comdr. Hole and A. Ritchie.

9.32 " F. S. Grant and R. H. Dowler.

9.36 " G. Sellar and J. Stuart.

9.40 " A. D. Humphreys and T. S. Whyte-Smith.

9.44 " D. G. Bruce and D. S. Robb.

9.48 " F. Groves and L. C. Grover.

9.52 " A. W. Hay Edie and C. Clippingdale.

9.56 " E. Davidson and J. D. Humphreys.

10.00 " N. S. Ellis and G. T. May.

10.04 " G. C. Law and J. B. Hinton.

10.08 " R. H. Wild and C. Bulmer Johnson.

10.12 " V. R. Gordon and J. K. Collis.

10.16 " Comdr. Priestley and J. J. French.

10.20 " B. L. Stock and D. B. Evans.

10.24 " L. R. Andrews and A. B. Raworth.

10.28 " C. H. Burton and H. R. Remington.

10.32 " H. U. Ireland and A. T. Lay.

10.36 " A. Sommerfeld and D. J. Gilmore.

10.40 " A. H. Penn and A. C. I. Bowker.

10.44 " G. A. Leiper and F. Black.

10.48 " F. H. Crappnell and H. H. Williams.

10.52 " C. B. Humphreys and C. E. Mycock.

10.56 " E. J. Munroe and J. R. Banyon.

11.00 " H. S. V. Mossop and F. C. Young.

11.04 " A. Leach and J. G. Campbell.

11.08 " W. C. Shields and N. K. Littlejohn.

11.12 " L. A. R. Duncan and G. Thomson.

11.16 " W. B. Barris and S. J. H. Fox.

SATURDAY.

9.20 a.m. W. H. B. Rigg and S. J. H. Fox.

9.24 " J. Walker and R. K. Hepburn.

9.28 " G. T. May and G. Thomson.

9.32 " D. J. Keogh and D. G. Bruce.

9.36 " C. H. M. Andrew and R. C. Law.

9.40 " B. L. Stock and D. B. Evans.

9.44 " A. H. Ferguson and A. B. Raworth.

9.48 " A. Ritchie and D. S. Robb.

9.52 " N. S. Ellis and T. Lindars.

9.56 " J. R. Collis and A. O. I. Bowker.

10.00 " J. S. MacLaren and W. Thomson.

10.04 " M. St. J. Walsh and C. Thwaites.

10.08 " C. E. Sandstrom and J. W. Mayhew.

10.12 " D. Forbes and R. Young.

SUNDAY.

9.52 a.m. A. T. Lay and D. G. Bruce.

9.56 " A. B. Stewart and D. L. Newbiggin.

10.00 " C. Mycock and H. Lowe.

10.04 " S. J. H. Fox and H. Hampton.

10.08 " D. Forbes and D. J. Gilmore.

10.12 " A. Piercy and J. M. Walker.

10.16 " J. Johnson and W. Wright.

10.20 " W. J. Manning and J. Stuart.

10.24 " T. W. Shewan and A. H. Ferguson.

10.28 " F. Groves and L. C. Grover.

10.32 " J. W. Franks and F. J. de Rome.

10.36 " J. K. MacFarlan and E. D. Matthews.

10.40 " D. J. Keogh and E. P. White.

10.44 " G. R. Horridge and A. D. Coppin.

10.48 " A. Leach and W. R. Vallance.

10.52 " A. B. Parves and W. C. Shields.

10.56 " T. Lay and P. Morrison.

11.00 " J. S. MacLaren and W. M. Thomson.

11.04 " G. W. Reeve and T. J. Price.

11.08 " S. T. Butlin and N. K. Littlejohn.

11.12 " W. C. Clark and J. P. Sherry.

11.16 " H. U. Ireland and R. Young.

11.20 " R. K. Hepburn and N. Buyers.

11.24 " O. J. D. Law and F. C. B. Black.

11.28 " J. White and W. S. Hillier.

11.32 " J. G. Campbell and H. S. Robertson.

11.36 " L. Yates and D. S. Robb.

11.04 " K. L. Dugan and C. E. Sandstrom.

11.08 " C. B. Johnson and L. R. Andrewes.

11.12 " A. C. I. Bowker and J. R. Hinton.

11.16 " C. H. Burton and V. R. Gordon.

11.20 " A. D. Humphreys and L. G. S. Dowler.

11.24 " A. R. Penn and H. R. Remington.

11.28 " A. H. Munson and H. C. Gould.

11.32 " A. Ritchie and O. Eager.

11.36 " F. S. V. Mossop and D. H. Evans.

11.40 " C. W. Garrett and R. W. Taplin.

11.44 " R. H. Dowler and J. B. Lanyon.

11.48 " G. B. Lane and K. K. Rounds.

11.52 " S. C. Feltham and J. Forbes.

11.56 " R. R. Davies and J. S. Richardson.

12 noon M. Nicholson and B. Thomson.

12.04 p.m. L. R. Duncan and E. P. Fletcher.

12.08 " G. Thomson and J. Harrop.

12.12 " G. W. Wilson G. C. Johnson.

12.16 " O. H. M. Andrew and R. C. Law.

12.20 " G. W. Sellers and J. S. Dykes.

12.24 " N. S. Ellis and T. Lindars.

12.28 " G. T. May and W. D. Harris.

12.32 " J. B. Terdre and G. A. Peiper.

MONDAY.

9.20 a.m. R. H. Wild and T. S. Whyte-Smith.

9.24 " A. Reid and D. S. Robb.

9.28 " L. B. Smith and R. C. Law.

9.32 " A. T. Lay and J. S. A. D. Humphreys and C. Mycock.

9.36 " W. C. Shields and W. R. Vallance.

9.40 " E. P. Fletcher and R. Young.

9.44 " P. S. Grant and J. B. Lanyon.

9.48 " J. B. Campbell and J. Forbes.

9.52 " A. Leach and A. B. Purves.

9.56 " D. B. Evans and W. H. B. Rigg.

10.00 " A. H. Ferguson and J. K. MacFarlan.

10.04 " C. B. Terdre and J. Crowe.

10.08 " A. R. Cox and N. K. Littlejohn.

10.12 " F. O. B. Black and S. J. H. Fox.

10.16 " G. Castle and H. T. Duxton.

10.20 " N. S. Ellis and G. T. May.

10.24 " W. L. Marshall and J. W. Mayhew.

10.28 " A. C. I. Bowker and J. R. Collis.

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10.36 " Comdr. Priestley and J. J. French.

10.40 " J. P. Hollingdale and N. E. Hope.

10.44 " T. W. Kirk and I. Newton.

KOWLOON GOLF.

MATCH WITH HAPPY VALLEY.

A match has been arranged between the Kowloon Golf Club and the Happy Valley section of the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club and will be played over the Kowloon course to-day.

Singles will be played in the morning and foursomes in the afternoon. Starting times have been reserved between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. and 2 and 4 p.m.

The following are the teams:—

0.00 D. C. Wilson (Capt.) (Kowloon) v. K. S. Robertson (Capt.) (Happy Valley).

0.05 J. Mackintosh (Kowloon) v. H. Hampton (Happy Valley).

0.10 W. Paterson (Kowloon) v. A. O. Brown (Happy Valley).

0.15 H. Over (Kowloon) v. H. M. McTear (Happy Valley).

0.20 A. Eastman (Kowloon) v. H. H. Mundy (Happy Valley).

0.25 H. Ringshaw (Kowloon) v. A. E. Clark (Happy Valley).

0.30 C. H. Russell (Kowloon) v. G. W. McLeod (Happy Valley).

0.35 J. Poole (Kowloon) v. W. M. Smith (Happy Valley).

0.40 H. T. Duxton (Kowloon) v. H. T. Brooks (Happy Valley).

0.45 P. Plummer (Kowloon) v. G. E. Chalmers (Happy Valley).

0.50 W. Woolley (Kowloon) v. S. Stacey (Happy Valley).

0.55 W. Stoker (Kowloon) v. L. E. Longbottom (Happy Valley).

1.00 E. J. Johnson (Kowloon) v. F. E. Booker (Happy Valley).

1.05 A. Laughton (Kowloon) v. J. Shepherd (Happy Valley).

1.10 J. King (Kowloon) v. A. W. White (Happy Valley).

1.15 W. G. Trice (Kowloon) v. P. Morrison (Happy Valley).

1.20 J. Meyer (Kowloon) v. S. W. Paterson (Happy Valley).

1.25 Dr. Cogran (Kowloon) v. C

HOME FOOTBALL.

ENGLISH AND SCOTTISH LEAGUES.

FIXTURES DURING EASTER.

English League football teams have a heavy programme of matches commencing to-day and covering the Easter holidays. Scottish League teams, however, have no matches outside their usual Saturday programme.

The following are the fixtures for to-day and to-morrow:

GOOD FRIDAY.

Division I.

Blackpool	v. Derby
Grimsby	v. Middlesbrough
Liverpool	v. Manchester U.
Manchester C.	v. Blackburn
Newcastle	v. Huddersfield
Portsmouth	v. Arsenal
Sunderland	v. Birmingham
West Ham	v. Bolton

Division II.

Bristol C.	v. Everton
Burnley	v. Oldham
Bury	v. Barnsley
Millwall	v. Southampton
Plymouth	v. Charlton
Port Vale	v. West Brom.
Preston N.E.	v. Notts Forest
Reading	v. Stoke
Tottenham	v. Cardiff

Division III. (Southern).

Brentford	v. Southend
Brighton	v. Newport
Crystal P.	v. Swindon
Fulham	v. Bournemouth
Gillingham	v. Walsall
Notts C.	v. Clapton O.
Queens P.R.	v. Norwich
Thames	v. Coventry
Watford	v. Wrexham

Division III. (Northern).

Barrow	v. Wrexham
Carlisle	v. Rotherham
Doncaster	v. Stockport
Hartlepool	v. Darlington
Lincoln	v. Halifax
Nelson	v. Hull
New Brighton	v. Accrington
Rochele	v. Crewe
Southport	v. Chesterfield
Tannmere	v. Gateshead
York	v. Gateshead

SATURDAY.

Division I.

Arsenal	v. Chelsea
Birmingham	v. Bolton
Blackburn	v. Newcastle
Blackpool	v. Wednesday
Borby	v. Middlesbrough
Leeds	v. Grimsby
Leicester	v. West Ham
Manchester C.	v. Huddersfield
Portsmouth	v. Aston Villa
Sheffield U.	v. Liverpool
Sunderland	v. Manchester U.

Division II.

Barnsley	v. Southampton
Bradford C.	v. Preston N.E.
Bristol C.	v. Reading
Bury	v. Stoke
Cardiff	v. Wolves
Charlton	v. Burnley
Everton	v. Bradford
Plymouth	v. Millwall
Port Vale	v. Tottenham
Swansea	v. Oldham
West Brom	v. Notts Forest

Division III. (Southern).

Poynemouth	v. Torquay
Clapton O.	v. Crystal P.
Coventry	v. Gillingham
Fulham	v. Exeter
Nowich	v. Luton
Notts C.	v. Brentford
Queens P.R.	v. Bristol R.
Swindon	v. Brighton
Thames	v. Southend
Newport	v. Walsall
Watford	v. Northampton

Division III. (Northern).

Darlington	v. Barrow
Doncaster	v. Wrexham
Gateshead	v. Crewe
Halifax	v. Southport
Hartlepool	v. York
Hull	v. Tranmere
Lincoln	v. Carlisle
Nelson	v. Chesterfield
New Brighton	v. Accrington
Stockport	v. Rochdale
Wigan	v. Rotherham

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Aberdeen	v. Falkirk
Airdrie	v. St. Mirren
Celtic	v. Ayr
East Fife	v. Hamilton
Hearts	v. Dundee
Kilmarnock	v. Hibernians
Partick	v. Rangers
Queen's Park	v. Motherwell
	v. Clyde

SCOTTISH LEAGUE RESULT.

WIN FOR RANGERS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, April 1.

In a Scottish League match played to-day, the Rangers received Queen's Park and won by two goals to nil.

In another match, Cowdenbeat, of their own ground, beat Hamilton Academicals by three goals to one.

AMATEUR DRAMATICS.

FORTHCOMING PRODUCTIONS BY ST. ANDREW'S CLUB.

An extremely entertaining evening is promised on April 8, when, at 9 p.m., the St. Andrew's Club will present two one-act plays, on which they have been busy rehearsing for some time. On this occasion they have made the happy choice of "The Grand Cham's Diamond," a farce by Allan Monkhouse, and Gertrude Jennings' comedy "No Servants."

The first of these plays delightful burlesques the crook-detective type of drama, but it also presents a perfect gem of characterisation of the common-place, admirable Mrs. Perkins into a daring unscrupulous adventuress. This part is ably played by Rita Cole who makes the most of her material. Supporting her are J. W. Baldwin as Mr. Perkins, Althea Hirst as Miss Perkins, who, "tired of being Polly" changes her name to Marie. W. Tillery as the fishing detective, Albert Watkins, and R. Woolley as the Man in Black. This sketch shows how the humdrum existence of a typically lower middle-class family is rudely broken one evening by a fabulous diamond, crashing through the window. It is irresistibly funny.

"No Servants" is another diverting amusing affair, but this time with a touch of romance. Victoria Lady Street (played by Maude White) is left stranded in her kitchen. All her servants desert her and she is left with the problem of having to cook lunch for the Hon. Francis Mayfield (R. Woolley) who is leaving next day for West Africa. Victoria has a great admiration for Francis and her knowledge of cooking being negligible, she is at her wits end to know what to do. Francis arrives, everything goes wrong, but they are so satisfied with each other's company that the sudden return of all the servants is most inopportune. These are extremely well led by Eileen Biss as Mrs. Sparrow, the cook. Phyllis Woolley is a perfect parlourmaid, Emily Landolt is well cast as Agnes of the gruff voice, whilst Dorothy Baldwin is the inky little kitchen maid, Maud.

The programme is well supported by several musical items and the public can be assured of a well spent evening. The price of admission is 8.10 including tax, and tickets can be obtained at the door.

LADIES' GOLF.

RESULTS OF RECENT COMPETITIONS.

Mr. Newbigging won the Subscribers' Prize for the Old Course, Farning, after a tie with Mrs. Kenry.

Mrs. Langston won the Subscribers' Prize for the New Course. Mrs. Roffey and Mrs. Langston tied in the Medal Pool held during February and March over the New Course with 71 nett.

Mrs. Whyte-Smith won the Medal Pool over the Old Course during February and March with 81-18-73.

Mrs. Cassidy's Prize was won by Mrs. R. Gordon with 103-80-67. Mrs. Langston qualified for the Captain's Cup for March with 101-31-71.

BANKING PROFITS IN JAPAN.

DECREASED EARNINGS DURING RECENT MONTHS.

Tokyo, Mar. 29.—The latter half of the current fiscal year was particularly conspicuous for unfavourable business returns according to the publication made by the five leading banks of the Metropolis. The following figures showing the waning tendency of net profits as realized by the above banks during the period under review will give some idea about the point:

	First	Second	Third	Fourth
Banks	half	half	half	half
Mitsui	4,296,000	3,873,000	4,230,000	4,230,000
Mitsubishi	3,520,000	4,132,000	4,132,000	4,132,000
Sumitomo	2,842,000	2,833,000	2,833,000	2,833,000
Dai Ichi	3,926,000	3,921,000	3,921,000	3,921,000
Yasuda	5,051,000	4,830,000	4,830,000	4,830,000

* Increase.
† Decrease.

As is indicated above, all the leading banks, with the single exception of Mitsubishi, have suffered a perceptible decline in net profit during the latter half of the current fiscal year.

This phenomenon may be attributed to the following factors:—
1. Steady decrease of demand for capital due to the prevailing depression.

2. Insolvency of those business enterprises to whom banks made advances, which tendency has been fostered by the growing economic depression all over the country.

3. Absence of stability marking the market quotations of shares and stocks.

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG

ALEXANDRIA.

Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Pres. Adams, Dollar, April 10.

AMSOY.

Haiyang, Douglas, April 3.
Tinegara, J.C.J.L., April 3.
Anhui, B. & S., April 5.
Haiching, Douglas, April 7.
Haining, Douglas, April 10.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, April 12.

GENOA.

Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Pica Polk, Dollar, April 3.
Formosa, Gilman's, April 10.
Oldenburg, Jebson, April 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, April 12.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 13.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Telesias, B.F., April 20.
Burgeland, Jebson, April 25.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Vogtland, Jebson, May 9.

ANTWERP.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Karmala, P. & O., April 11.
Selandia, Mannars, April 17.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Danmark, Mannars, May 5.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Changto, B. & S., April 21.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 25.
Nellore, E. & A., May 1.

SALTIC PORTS.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Selandia, Mannars, April 17.
Danmark, Mannars, May 5.

BALTIMORE.

Taybank, Bank, April 7.
Tweedbank, Bank, May 4.

BANGKOK.

Kaying, B. & S., April 5.
Kwangchow, B. & S., April 12.

BARCELONA.

Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Burgeland, Jebson, April 25.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.

BELAWAN-DELL.

Cremor, J.C.J.L., April 9.

OMBAY.

Mirzapore, P. & O., April 8.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, April 12.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 13.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Kidderpore, P. & O., May 5.

BOSTON.

Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Taybank, Bank, April 7.
Japanese Prince, Furness, April 9.
Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Tweedbank, Bank, May 4.

BREMER.

Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Karmala, P. & O., April 11.
Franken, Melchers, April 25.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.

BRINDISI.

Hilda, Dodwell's, April 12.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 13.

CALCUTTA.

Santhia, B.I., April 4.
Kutsang, Jardine's, April 8.
Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., April 8.
Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Tahira, B.I., April 17.
Yusung, Jardine's, April 20.
Takada, B.I., May 3.
Kamsang, Jardine's, May 8.

CASABLANCA.

Perseus, B.F., April 28.

CHEFOO.

Huichow, B. & S., April 4.
Kueichow, B. & S., April 21.

COLOMBO.

Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, April 8.
Mirzapore, P. & O., April 8.
Karmala, P. & O., April 11.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, April 12.
Angers, M.M., April 14.
Hector, B.F., April 15.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Glenluce, Jardine's, April 25.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 25.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.
Kidderpore, P. & O., May 5.

COPENHAGEN.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Selandia, Mannars, April 17.
Danmark, Mannars, May 5.

DALNY.

Chenan, B. & S., April 2.
Tea, B. & S., April 5.
Aeneas, B.F., April 7.
Lima, B. & S., April 13.

DUTCH PORTS.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, April 8.
Karmala, P. & O., April 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, April 12.
City of Khios, Bank, April 10.
Selandia, Mannars, April 17.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Burgeland, Jebson, April 25.
Franken, Melchers, April 25.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Danmark, Mannars, May 5.
Vogtland, Jebson, May 9.

FOOCHOW.

Haiyang, Douglas, April 3.
Huichow, B. & S., April 4.
Tea, B. & S., April 5.
Haiching, Douglas, April 7.
Haining, Douglas, April 10.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, April 12.

GENOA.

Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Pica Polk, Dollar, April 3.
Formosa, Gilman's, April 10.
Oldenburg, Jebson, April 11.
Hilda, Dodwell's, April 12.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 13.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Telesias, B.F., April 20.
Burgeland, Jebson, April 25.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Vogtland, Jebson, May 9.

GLASGOW.

Hector, B.F., April 15.
Telesias, B.F., April 20.

GOTENBURG.

Formosa, Gilman's, April 10.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Kingyuan, B. & S., April 10.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 24.

HAMBURG.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, April 8.
Formosa, Gilman's, April 10.
Oldenburg, Jebson, April 11.
City of Khios, Bank, April 10.
Selandia, Mannars, April 17.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Burgeland, Jebson, April 25.
Franken, Melchers, April 25.
Perseus, B.F., April 28.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.
Soudan, P. & O., May 2.
Danmark, Mannars, May 5.
Vogtland, Jebson, May 9.

MANILA.

Coblenz, Melchers, April 3.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., April 7.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., April 11.
Tinegara, J.C.J.L., April 14.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 16.
Changto, B. & S., April 21.
Kamo Maru, N.Y.K., April 25.
Tijbadak, J.C.J.L., April 28.
Nellore, E. & A., May 1.
Fulda, Melchers, May 2.

MARSEILLES.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Karmala, P. & O., April 11.
Lima Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Angers, M.M., April 14.
Hector, B.F., April 15.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Telesias, B.F., April 20.
Burgeland, Jebson, April 25.
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NAPLES.

Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Japanese Prince, Furness, April 9.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.

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Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Taybank, Bank, April 7.
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Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., April 14.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Chinese Prince, Furness, April 21.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 25.
Tweedbank, Bank, May 4.

NEWCASTLE.

Tea, B. & S., April 5.
Chusan, B. & S., April 9.
Lima, B. & S., April 13.

NORTH CHINA PORTS.

Fulda, Melchers, April 8.
Aeneas, B.F., April 7.
Hector, B.F., April 15.
Trave, Melchers, April 17.
Trier, Melchers, May 5.

PAKHOI.

Kingyuan, B. & S., April 10.
Kiungchow, B. & S., April 24.

PANAMA.

Lisbon Maru, N.Y.K., April 13.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., April 14.
Tokyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 22.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 28.

PENANG.

Fushimi Maru, N.Y.K., April 4.
Santhia, B.I., April 4.
Pres. Polk, Dollar, April 5.
Carnarvonshire, Jardine's, April 8.
Kutsang, Jardine's, April 8.
Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., April 8.
Mirzapore, P. & O., April 8.
Cremor, J.C.J.L., April 9.
Karmala, P. & O., April 11.
Tango Maru, N.Y.K., April 11.
Hector, B.F., April 15.
Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.
Tahira, B.I., April 17.
Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., April 18.
Pilsna, Dodwell's, April 19.
Pica, Adams, Dollar, April 10.
Telesias, B.F., April 20.
Yusung, Jardine's, April 20.
Anchises, B.F., April 21.
Franken, Melchers, April 25.
Glenluce, Jardine's, April 25.
Rajputana, P. & O., April 25.
Tottori Maru, N.Y.K., April 27.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.
Takada, B.I., May 3.
Kidderpore, P. & O., May 5.
Kamsang, Jardine's, May 8.

RABAT.

Nellore, E. & A., May 1.
Bremorhaven, Melchers, May 9.

RANGOON.

Malacca Maru, N.Y.K., April 8.
Muroran Maru, N.Y.K., April 15.

SAIGON.

Angers, M.M., April 14.
Felix Roussel, M.M., April 28.

SANDAKAN.

Kamsang, Jardine's, April 8.
Hinsang, Jardine's, April 11.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., April 14.
Shinyo Maru, N.Y.K., April 14.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., April 28.
Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., April 29.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Annam, Mannars, April 3.
Formosa, Gilman's, April 10.
Selandia, Mannars, April 17.
Danmark, Mannars, May 5.

SEATTLE.

Pres. Taft, Dollar, April 5.
Ixon, B.F., April 9.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., April 19.
Hican Maru, N.Y.K., April 21.
Tyndareus, B.F., May 2.

SHANGHAI.

Hakusan Maru, N.Y.K., April 3.
Shantung, J.C.J.L., April 3.
Nanking, Gilman's, April 4.
Pembroke, Jardine's, April 4.
Kwaiaang, Jardine's, April 5.
Shantung B. & S., April 5.
Haiching, Douglas, April 7.
Suiyang, B. & S., April 7.
Hangsang, Jardine's, April 8.
Sunning, B. & S., April 12.
Yatsing, Jardine's, April 15.

VANCOUVER, B.O.

Ixon, B.F., April 9.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., April 10.
Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., April 25.
Tyndareus, B.F., May 2.
Emp. of Russia, C.P.S., May 8.

VICTORIA, B.C.

Pres. Taft, Dollar, April 5.
Ixon, B.F., April 9.
Emp. of Asia, C.P

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NEWCHANG	"CHUSAN"	On 8th Apr.	5 p.m.
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SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KUNGOHONG"	On 10th Apr.	Noon
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 10th Apr.	Noon
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANSUN"	On 12th Apr.	9 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING"	On 12th Apr.	9 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGHONG"	On 12th Apr.	Noon
SANTAU, SHANGHAI, NEWCHANG & DALNY	"LINAN"	On 13th Apr.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, WHAMPOA, CHONGKING & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 21st Apr.	8 a.m.
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Wladivostok	12	29.84	75.0	...	...	ENE	2	...	...	...	29.89	75.1	...	...	NNE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nemuro	11	29.70	75.4	...	...	ESE	1	...	...	...	29.71	75.5	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hakodate	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	NW	2	...	...	...	29.72	75.5	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tokyo	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	NW	3	...	...	...	29.73	75.6	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kobe	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	N	3	...	...	...	29.74	75.7	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	N	3	...	...	...	29.75	75.8	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	NW	3	...	...	...	29.76	75.9	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Oshima	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	NNE	3	...	...	...	29.77	76.0	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naha	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.78	76.1	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ishigaki	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.79	76.2	...	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	29.70	75.4	...	...	SW	2	...	...	...	29.80	76.3	...	...	NW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chefoo	15	29.70	75.4	...	...	WNW	6	...	...	...	29.81	76.4	...	...	NW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shanghai	14	30.20	76.7	61	8	NE	2	bc	...	...	30.15	76.5	40	6	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gutzlaff	...	29.29	76.8	68	...	N	2	b	...	...	30.20	76.6	48	...	SE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wenchow	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Foochow	...	30.10	76.4	60	8	E	4	...	...	...	30.07	76.8	54	4	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Amoy	...	30.05	76.3	72	8	E	4	...	...	...	30.06	76.8	60	4	NNE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Swatow	...	29.99	76.1	67	...	E	3	...	...	...	29.97	76.1	61	...	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihou	...	30.13	76.5	67	...	ENE	0	...	...	...	30.02	76.2	61	...	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihu	...	30.04	76.8	76	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.03	76.7	68	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tainan	...	30.02	76.4	81	...	NNW	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Koshun	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pescadore	...	30.04	76.9	74	...	NNE	6	bc	...	...	30.01	76.1	67	...	NNE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	29.96	76.1	70	6	E	5	...	...	...	29.96	76.1	74	...	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Gap Rock	...	29.97	76.1	71	7	ENE	4	...	...	...	29.95	76.0	74	...	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Macao	...	29.93	76.0	68	4	ESE	4	...	...	...	29.92	76.0	68	4	ESE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hoihow	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pratas Island	...	29.95	76.0	77	8	ENE	4	...	...	...	29.95	76.0	76	...	E	...	...	...	...	...	...
Phulion	10	29.86	75.8	78	8	S	2	...	...	...	29.91	75.7	74	...	ESE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tourane	...	29.85	75.8	81	8	SE	4	bc	...	...	29.85	75.8	76	...	SSW	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cape St. James	...	29.83	75.7	85	6	ENE	0	...	...	...	29.87	75.6	81	6	ENE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Basco	14	29.85	76.0	76	8	NE	4	bc	...	...	29.90	75.4	79	...	ENE	...	...	...	...	...	...
Apurri	...	29.89	75.9	89	4	NE	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.84	75.7	94	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.80	75.7	91	8	W	2	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.38	76.7	91	8	ESE	4	bc	...	...	29.89	75.8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Iloilo	...	29.35	75.8	91	8	ENE	4	bc	...	...	29.88	75.8	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	29.34	75.8	91	8	SW	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tacloban	...	29.36	75.8	88	8	S	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Iloilo	...	29.35	75.8	88	8	S	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cebu	...	29.31	75.7	86	8	NE	4	bc	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	29.33	75.7	85	8	E	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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April 2d. 10A. 32m.—The anticyclone has weakened and is now central near Shanghai.
Fresh to moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 4.05 inches, against an average of 6.50 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON APRIL 3.

- 1.—Formosa Channel. District. N.E. winds, moderate.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamook. Forecast. E. winds, moderate; generally overcast, some rain.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan.

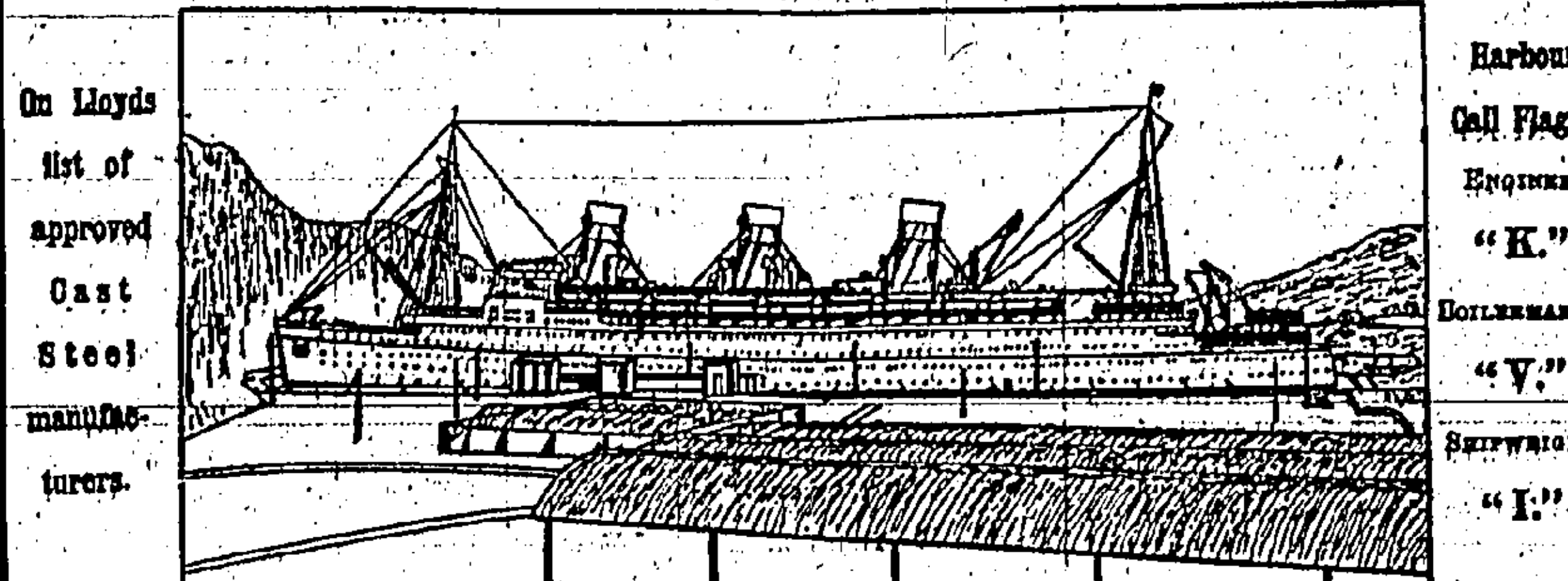
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